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The members of West Minot Grange, No. 42, P. of H., take this opportunity to publicly express their heart-felt thanks and deep sense of gratitude for the generous and substantial assistance the following named Granges have rendered them by money contributions to aid in rebuilding their Grange home, which was destroyed by fire, in November last.

The list is as follows, viz.: Androscoggin County Pomona; Oxford County Pomona; Excelsior, Harris Hill; East Auburn; Norway; Relief, Canton; East Hebron; Franklin, Hyde's Point; Fred's Robie, Oakfield Gore; Bear Mountain, Waterford; Lewiston, No. 2.

Per order, L. C. BUBGMAN, Sec.

BUSINESS SPECIALS.

Under this head business notices inserted for ten cents per line.

Look at the large assortment of seed peas at C. N. Tubbs & Co.'s. They have a great many kinds from which to select.

Noyes & Andrews at the Blue Store are agents for the best dye house in Maine.

Don't allow any quack doctor to sell you gold filled spects, telling you they are good as Hills' solid gold. They are not.

Street railroad tickets can be bought at the Noyes Drug Store in Norway and at F. A. Shurtleff's, South Paris. 14-17

Mrs. E. G. Skillings and her milliner, Helen A. Tufts, will leave Saturday, April 4th, for Boston and New York.

Don't forget to see the $2 shoes at Oxford County Shoe Store.

Remember Hills is the only optician in Oxford County that ever attended an optical school. Look out for quack doctors, who deceive you by buying diplomas. A dealer may sell glasses, buy diplomas, call himself an optician, and still not be a "practical optician."

The Blue Store is the right place to have your custom tailoring done. We do cleaning, repairing and pressing.

Thirty woods horses expected at Andrews' stables, last of next week.

Smith & Flood tell a straightforward story about heavy grain shoes. You should call in and see them.

Light birch edgings dry, for kindling wood, at per cord delivered. Apply to J. P. Cullinan.

The place to buy spring overcoats is at the Blue Store. Low prices and large assortment to select from. Call in and look at them.

Fresh onions, Bermuda beauties, at Gilbert's.

Ladies, Mrs. Hills and Mrs. Drake will return from Boston, next week. Look for date of millinery opening later.

A small quantity of that nice sweet corn, which is of the first quality, 4 cans 25 cts. at C. N. Tubbs & Co.'s.

You can buy bargains in boots and shoes at Oxford County Shoe Store for the next week.

Get your watches repaired at Hills'. Good work costs no more.

Clothing was never so cheap as now. The Blue Store has a fine line of spring suits for men, youths and boys. Don't buy until you see their stock.

Have your glasses fitted by Hills, the only practical optician in Oxford County.

Common sense demands that you tell your friend that he is looking well. It won't be far from truth if he has on a suit sold by H. B. Foster.

10 bars Fairbanks Standard (¾ pound) soap 25 cts. at C. N. Tubbs & Co.'s. This soap is selling very fast and you must leave your order early to secure this trade.

Solid gold spectacle frames at Hills' for $1.87, same as others ask $3.00 to $4.00. The only difference is profit, see.

Good meats of any kind, roast, fry, boil, broil, fricassee, stew, Gilbert's next door.

NORWAY AND VICINITY.

Mrs. I. W. Towle is gaining.

Gertrude Richards has la grippe.

J. Albert Stearns is visiting in Boston.

Anna Stone is confined to the house by neuralgia of the face.

Nellie Drew, who has been working at Berlin, N. H., has returned.

Mrs. Eugene Rowe is visited by her sister, Clara Dale from Berlin Falls, N. H.

Storm entrances have about all disappeared from the houses.

W. E. Bartlett is away on a vacation.

Mrs. Skillings and Miss Tufts will spend Easter in Boston.

Horace Cole has gotten over the grip and is again attending to business.

H. S. Pingree has been granted a pension of $6 a month. Mr. Pingree enlisted from Norway and was assigned duty in Company G, 10th Maine, serving from October, 1861, till May, 1863.

The executive committee of the Norway High School Alumni Association will meet with Helen S. Swan, next Tuesday evening. Arrangements will be made for the next reunion.

There will be special Easter services at the Congregational church, next Sunday. After the morning service, several will be admitted to membership. It will be communion Sunday, also.

S. H. Wetherbee denies the report that he saw and read letters from Jack Swan, when in Island Pond, recently. Nothing more has been learned about the Swan case.

S. C. Foster's barber shop is looking better. Paint and varnish have improved the looks of the woodwork and new paper is on the walls and ceiling. The work bench will be remodeled, and the whole establisment be thoroughly fixed up.

The Webling sisters had a small audience, Monday evening. Their acting was fine, but we don't think their voices pleased people. The entertainment depicted many features and times of English life about which Yankees, as a rule, know but little.

The Junior Epworth League at the M. E. Church have elected the following officers for three months.

First Vice President, Blanche Harriman;
Second " " Hertha Hutchins;
Third " " Sallie Kimball;
Fourth " " Carl Boynton;
Secretary, Etta Gammon;
Assistant Secretary, Agnes Payne;
Treasurer, Sadie Hastie.

Geo. A. Brooks, esq., has prepared a table of statistics, published elsewhere, while will be of interest to all Norway property owners and those interested in town finances. The figures show for themselves and you can arrive at such conclusions as may best suit your fancy or sustain your argument. There are the figures. Group them as you see it.

The following officers have been elected in the Epworth League for the ensuing year:

President, H. A. Corson.
1st Vice President, Annie Burbank.
2d " " Mrs. H. E. Smith.
3d " " Mrs. Arthur Morgan.
4th " " M. E. Smith.
Secretary, Myrtie Starbird.
Treasurer, H. S. Gibson.
Supt. of Junior League, Mrs. W. W. Payne.

Rev. B. S. Rideout was in Portland, Tuesday. He tells us that while in the city, he learned that Fred L. Pike completed the course in Gray's Business College in the shortest time of any student that was ever in the college. Fred was five and one-fourth months in taking the course. The shortest previous time was five and one-third months, a record made by an experienced bookkeeper.

Last Saturday the N. H. S. A. A. had a hare and hound race over a course north of the village. Hares given 2½ minutes start.

HARES.

Lafarier, F. .....19 3-4 minutes;
Harriman, W. F. .....19 3-4 "

ROUNDS.

Towne, R. .....18 minutes.
Cullinan, G. H. .....18 1-2 "
Tubbs, R. .....18 2-4 "
Farmer, B. F. .....18 2-4 "
Horne, L. .....19 2-4 "
T. Richson, C. Tubbs, F. McCrillis and G. Fogg finished. No time given.

Mrs. Coleman F. Lord died from erysipelas of the face, Tuesday morning. She had been sick for rather more than a week and was thought to be doing nicely, but the disease suddenly took a turn for the worse and she died in less than an hour. Her maiden name was Lizzie A. Furber, and she was born in Rochester, N. H., Sept. 12, 1834. In December, 1870, she was married. Her husband and one daughter, Mrs. Mason Kilgore, survive. Mrs. Lord belonged to the Methodist church and took an active part in religious work. A large circle of friends feel that her sudden death is a great loss to them. Funeral was at the house at 1 p. m., Thursday.

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Wish to say a few words to the laboring men. We have the best

HEAVY GRAIN SHOE

In the market to-day, in buckle, lace and congress, and if you will call and examine them, we think you will be convinced that we speak the truth.

With respect, SMITH & FLOOD, Norway, Me.

Ladies' Capes, Jackets

We have just received a new stock of Ladies' Capes and Jackets for Spring and Summer wear. They are very "nobby", the latest styles, and the prices are Extremely Low. They will surely please you in style, fit and price. Come in and price them.

Friday and Saturday,
April 3 and 4,

We will give our Customers some

Special Bargins in Rugs.

Something you will have to buy this Spring. Buy now and save money. Yours respectfully,

Noyes & Andrews,
Norway, Maine,

We have never in all the years of our experence been able to sell such nice goods for such little money. Before you stock up with your Spring

FOOTWEAR

Be sure and see our New Spring and Summer Stock.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

1 lot Women's Russet Boots, former price $3.00, a little out of style for $1.25.
1 lot Kid Button, 12½, 13½, 1, 1½, and 2, former price $1.25, for 65 cents.

Be sure and find the place, and remember we always lead in Assortment, Style and Low Prices.

Yours truly,
SMILEY SHOE STORE,
127 Main Street. E. N. SWETT, MANAGER. Norway, Maine.

A number will be admitted to the Methodist church, Sunday morning.

James Danforth and Eben Shackley are hauling lumber for new houses on Pike's Hill.

Mrs. O. C. Huntington of Island Pond, Vt., has returned home, after a fortnight spent with her daughter, Mrs. E. N. Swett.

Seward S. Stearns.

Seward Smith Stearns, the well known Norway attorney, whose portrait is given above, comes of a family that has produced a large number of prominent people. His great grandfather, Judge Simon Frye, of the Massachusetts Court of Common Pleas, presided over the first term of court held at Paris Hill. Onslow Stearns, a cousin of his father, was governor of New Hampshire, and his own cousin, M. L. Stearns, was governor of Florida. His brother, Joseph F. Stearns of Lovell, is an efficient member of the board of County Commissioners. Various positions of honor and trust have been held by others of the family.

He was born in Lovell, March 11, 1856. His father was a farmer. Seward was sent to the district school and to Fryeburg Academy, after which he worked his own way through college. He was graduated from Bowdoin in 1879, and received the prize for best written and spoken oration, beside taking exceptionally high rank in all his studies.

From college, he went into the law office of Judge A. H. Walker of Bridgton. In March, 1882, he was admitted to the Oxford bar, after an examination which the late Judge Charles Danforth pronounced to have been passed as creditably as he had ever heard. Two months later, the young attorney commenced the practice of his profession, having his office in Waterford. His industry and skill soon brought in a goodly number of clients and he decided to locate in a larger town.

In January, 1884, he came to Norway and went to work as junior partner of the late H. M. Bearce in the law firm of Bearce & Stearns. The senior partner died in May, 1894, leaving vacant the positions of President of Norway National Bank and Treasurer of Norway Savings Bank. Mr. Stearns became his successor in the latter position. His law office is in the spacious rooms on ground floor of the brick building that was built, after the great fire of 1894, to accommodate the savings bank. The banking rooms of which Mr. Stearns is in charge are directly in front, with vaults between them and the law office.

He has taken an active part in all town affairs, since coming to Norway. First, becoming interested in the library that was owned by an association in the village, he became its president, and was chief worker in its growth, till it was given to the town and became a free public library, one of the best in the state. Mr. Stearns is on the board of management and his work has been no small factor in the success which the library has had under town ownership.

He has frequently been moderator of Norway town meetings and has shown unusual ability as a presiding officer. He has been chairman of the selectmen and is now on the school board. His election to the position of first selectman was by a flattering majority of more than two hundred.

Mr. Stearns has always been a hard-working member of the Republican party and has wielded a large amount of political influence. He was four years a member of the second congressional district Republican committee. Under the last Republican administration, he was deputy collector of internal revenue for the western district of Maine, comprising the eight counties of the first and second congressional districts.

Mr. Stearns has been presiding officer of the three Masonic bodies—Lodge, Chapter and Council—in Norway. His work in those positions was first-class, and earned him a seat in the Grand Chapter of Maine, which made him Grand High Priest. He belongs to Lewiston Commandery, Knights Templar, and to Maine Consistory of Portland, in which latter body he received the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite. He is associated with M. L. Kimball and E. F. Smith on the Masonic Library Committee which has succeeded in giving Norway brethren the finest library of Masonic works in Maine outside of that belonging to the grand bodies in Portland.

In literary circles, he is always welcome. It has become almost a habit to select Seward Stearns for toastmaster when any banquet is held in Norway. His college class selected him for the onerous task of writing a detailed history of its members for the decennial reunion. He has accumulated one of the largest private collections of works of miscellaneous literature in this vicinity. That is separate from his law library, which is among the finest in Oxford County. Habits of industry and systematic work have made those books useful to him. He is always found familiar with their contents, whether the subject of discussion be a point of law or a Latin poem.

In business affairs, Mr. Stearns' careful and accurate judgment have been of immense value to many a client. He is clerk of the Norway Shoe Shop Company and prominently identified with other business interests in this town.

The moving of the county seat was another occasion for exercise of Mr. Stearns' talents. In connection with A. S. Kimball, C. E. Holt, the late H. M. Bearce, A. E. Herrick, Judge G. A. Wilson and George D. Bisbee, he was one of the lawyers that took an active part in favor of removal. After the vote, when the dispute as to legality arose, Mr. Stearns was one of the lawyers that successfully handled the case in the courts.

On the questions of temperance and morals, Mr. Stearns is always found on the right side, and is ever ready to stretch forth a helping hand to the unfortunate. His influence is no inconsiderable factor in the temperance work of this section. In fact, he is always willing to take hold of anything that gives promise of being for the public good.

Mr. Stearns is a candidate for the Republican nomination for Judge of Probate of Oxford County. He has had extensive practice in Probate business and is amply qualified for the position. His many friends in Norway and elsewhere in this County hope he will succeed in the canvass.

Notice.

The annual meeting of the Norway Shoe Shop Co. will be held at Engine House Hall, Monday, April 13, next, at 7.30, p. m., for the following purposes:

1st. To elect officers for the ensuing year.
2d. To see if the Corporation will vote to lease its property to R. F. Spinney & Co., for a term of years and to decide upon the terms of such lease. S. S. STEARNS, Clerk.

April 2, 1896.

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Harrison Buck is still gaining.

Fred Pike has returned from his business college course in Portland.

Fred Bolster of Bolster's Mills was in town, Tuesday.

Mrs. Walter Brown of Waterford is visiting her sister, Mrs. John Baker.

Al Rowe has bought the "Favor lot" on Danforth Street.

Arthur Hebbard has moved into the upper tenement of Horace Mixer's house.

Captain Jonathan Blake's pension has been increased.

James Smith has been confined to the house with a bad cold.

Helen M. Fannee is teaching the Douglass school at New Auburn.

Harry C. Dean is dangerously ill. His sickness developed from a cold.

Henry Bradbury has been sick but is now getting around a little.

The two little sons of Mr. and Mrs. Timothy L. Heath are sick with croup.

J. A. Bolster has bought a Jersey cow of Harry Lovejoy.

Frank Marston of the firm of B. F. Spinney & Co. was in town, this week.

Coleman F. Lord is gaining. It is expected that summer will see him around, once more, in good health.

Thomas Muirhead and two daughters have returned from Essex, Mass., where they have been visiting.

A. A. Lafarier is in Quebec for a few days. He expects to visit Montreal before returning home.

It is reported that George Cartor of Haverhill is to build, this season on his lot on Deering Street.

Horace Cleveland has moved to Waterford. He will run the farm, this year, for his wife's mother, Mrs. Oscar Bisbee.

Lulu M. Cook was sick at her home in South Paris and unable to sing in the Congregational choir, Sunday morning

Mrs. Hills and Mrs. Drake leave for Boston this week, selecting spring stock of millinery.

Frank Mayo is able to get around somewhat. He is in the best of spirits and is looking for equally good health in the near future.

Lots of show windows are embellished with colored lettering. A travelling sign writer came into town, Monday, and picked up a good business.

T. T. Davis of Lynn, Mass., is canvassing for the sale of "What Boys Save in the Army." The book is nicely illustrated and should meet with a ready sale.

J. A. Bolster has bought C. C. Hussey's farm on the road to Norway. That is the place where Ira Morgan used to live.

W. H. Robinson had the misfortune to catch his hand in one of the machines in his shoe factory, some time ago, while at work. The loss of one finger was taken off.

William T. Abbott has sold his farm by the side of Lake Pennesseewassee to James Porter of Boston. Mr. Porter, like Mr. Abbott, will keep the place for a summer residence.

Wm. C. Leavitt is very busy making boiler handles. He has recently made a core machine with which to bend handles, that will easily do the work of two hands.

Lemuel Gurney of Hebron was in town with maple syrup to sell, Tuesday. He came with a wagon, which he found the better mode of travelling, except in the woods, where sleighing is still good.

Thurston DeCoster of Turner is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Dunham, who lives with her daughter, Mrs. William D. Bisbee. Her granddaughter, Lois Dunham of Turner is also stopping there for a few days.

R. E. Townsend was at Waterford, last week. He tells us that he saw Charles Bisbee and that he observed him to be hale and hearty. Mr. Bisbee read the ADVERTISER without effort, and did not use glasses. He is 80 years old.

Another man is named for the laziness championship. He is said to have held the lantern while his wife sawed wood. The Tired Club concluded that was working too hard and suspended him for three months.

Will H. Chandler, who used to work in the shop here but now living in Boston, was recently knocked down by a runaway express team and was badly injured. He was taken to an emergency hospital and bids fair to fully recover.

S. I. Millett received a telegram, Monday, from Jas. H. Porter of Oshkosh, Wis., saying that his son-in-law, Geo. Fitch of Berlin, Wis., was dead and that the funeral would be Wednesday. Mr. Fitch was between 40 and 50 years of age and married Mr. Porter's daughter in 1882.

Clara, the only child of Henry B. and Eva (Stevens) Hayden, formerly of Norway, died in Haverhill, Monday. She was four years old. The remains were brought to Norway, and the funeral was at the Hayden residence, Thursday afternoon. Their many friends offer sincerest sympathy to the bereaved parents.

Those boys who pile stone and brush on the electric roadway are liable to get into serious trouble, one of these days. It is of so serious a nature and undoubtedly done thoughtlessly, that parents should caution their boys in the matter and explain to them the nature of the offense and the penalty attaching for obstructing the road and thus endangering the life of the passengers. Superintendent Lee says it does not stop, an example will have to be made of the boys who "do the thing just for fun."

Sheriff Bassett captured Elroy Poland at Franklin Plantation, Sunday, and brought him to Norway. Monday morning, the prisoner was taken before trial justice Delano of Oxford and sentenced to 60 days in jail. The offense was larceny committed about three weeks ago. He stole a valuable robe from Dr. Haskell and a watch from James Poland. He traded them with Joseph Jillson of Casco; getting a horse in return. He then skipped. When found, he had sold the horse, but had not got his pay.

We noticed William D. Bisbee at work, some distance from his house, chopping a huge cake of ice that lay on the ground. We asked if he wasn't wasting his labor, when so much other ice was nearer the house. He called our attention to the lay of the land which is such that water from the cake he was working on would run over the ground in front of the house, and he wished to have it stopped as soon as possible. Mr. Bisbee has worked up the huge pile of wood that was on his lot (the Stephen Packard place) and is getting it out of sight. He intends to have a nice lawn on the corner.

Swett & Carter had an opening at their bicycle store, Wednesday evening. The rooms were crowded. Everything was nicely arranged for inspection. Tools and interchangeable parts were shown in one window, a bicycle in the other. A big rack full of bikes was along one side. On the other side were catalogues and booklets about every make of wheel, Louvie Swett's fine collection of photographs of different distinguished riders and a show case filled with many valuable prizes and trophies that Louvie has won in different races. Pictures adorned the walls. Another show case contained fishing tackle and other sporting goods. Everybody was full of questions as they examined the various objects of interest. The partners, Louvie F. Swett and John W. Carter, together with Creeper Cross in his bicycle suit of white, were busy at showing everything on exhibition. The "boys" were treated with a bushel of steamed clams, good ones too. Cigars were passed around freely. Then, while the smoke curled upward, H. H. Hosmer with violin and Fred Hall with banjo entertained the crowd. Several songs were sung and speeches made. At a late hour, all adjourned and a successful opening was over.

SOUTH ALBANY.

Irving Greene and Walker Nason of North Waterford have been sawing birch for John Mason, the past week.

Millie Abbott and Ida Abbott of Waterford, visited friends and relatives here last Friday and Saturday.

May Abbott who has been spending a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. John Swett of Windham Center, has returned home.

Lewis Browne who has been quite sick for some time is a little better.

L. E. McIntire and wife visited at Merritt Sawin's, last Wednesday.

Mr. McIntire bought a cow of J. F. Lord.

SOUTH PARIS.

Will Kenney has gone to Auburn, where he will be a salesman in the shoe store of Barrows & Merrill. Will has worked for J. F. Plummer for several years, and is a valuable hand. We predict that he will be successful in the city.

Llewellyn Pulsifer and wife have returned to their home in Framingham, Mass. They spent about a month in this vicinity, stopping part of the time at her father's, Wallace Chandler's in Sumner, and some with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Pulsifer of this village.

Frank Fogg and Ed Jones have swapped colts.

Ethel Crockett is sick. Too close application to studies and not enough outdoor life. She will have to keep out of school for a while.

Mary Driscoll has gone to Boston to work.

Georgie Bryant of Bryant's Pond is working as table girl at the Andrews House.

Elmer B. Libby, who works for Osman Clifford, went to Minot, Saturday, and returned two days later. He walked both ways.

C. P. Morse is confined to the house by sickness.

E. C. Gallagher has returned from Crawford's, N. H., where he has been cooking in a logging camp. Mr. Gallagher looks as if life in the woods agreed with him.

J. H. Record has moved to the True Farm. Henry will probably have great times when he gets to farming in good earnest.

Lenora Bessey of Waterville is visiting relatives in town.

W. C. McAuley is trying to organize a drum corps. This is campaign year.

George A. Wilson, jr., has put private telephone lines between N. D. Bolster's house and store, and between Postmaster Farrar's rooms in Davis Block and the post-office.

George A. Wilson, jr., and C. K. Brooks are stopping at Judge G. A. Wilson's. This is vacation time at Colby University.

Daniel Gammon has nearly completed an addition to his house.

F. P. Burbank will begin work on the proposed changes in I. O. O. F. Block, right away.

The spring term of village schools has begun under favorable prospects. There are no changes in the corps of teachers. Four new scholars appear in the high school.

Annual meeting of South Paris Free High School precinct resulted in choice of J. A. Lamb for moderator and Carl Gray for clerk. $500 was appropriated for a free high school.

Annual meeting of South Paris Savings Bank was held, last Thursday afternoon. The following officers were chosen:

President, Alva Shurtleff.
Vice President, Wm. A. Frothingham.
Treasurer, Geo. A. Wilson.
Trustees, Alva Shurtleff, Wm. A. Frothingham, R. E. Hammond, Wm. N. Thomas, N. Dayton Bolster, Wm. W. Wheeler, George M. Atwood, J. A. Kenney, J. F. Plummer.

Frank Jackson of Boston is visiting his mother, Mrs. L. W. Jackson.

The Methodist Sunday school is to have an addition of about $30 worth of new books for the library. There will then be about 800 volumes in good condition in this library.

C. H. Young has returned from South Auburn, where he has been doing some very successful evangelical work.

Nelson G. Elder will be the new clerk in J. F. Plummer's clothing and shoe store. Mr. Elder is an experienced man, having worked in those lines in Portland and the west. Mr. Plummer is fortunate to get so desirable a man for the place, and customers may be assured that he will give them courteous treatment and not be green at understanding their wants.

Easter services at the Congregational church will be exceedingly interesting. Twenty-one new members will be admitted and there will be several baptisms. Rev. R. J. Haughton will preach a special Easter sermon and the choir will give music that they have been practising a long time in order to do something extra on this occasion. The program for the morning service is:

Organ Voluntary—Offertoire in A.
Anthem—There is a City Great and Strong.
Invocation.
Responsive Reading.
Gloria.
Scripture Lesson.
Hymn 205—Christ the Lord is Risen To-day.
Offertory Solo—The Day of Resurrection.
Admission of New Members, with Baptisms.
Anthem—The Choir Angelic.
Sermon.
Hymn 291—Alleluia.
Benediction.
Postlude—Easter March.

In the evening, choir and chorus will give the concert service, "Life Triumphant." It is planned to make this as good a concert as was ever given in the church. Program:

Organ Voluntary—Offertoire in D Minor.
Chorus—Strike Ye Harpers Your Strings.
Processional.
Chorus—Hallelujah.
Solo and Chorus—Jesus Christ is Risen To-day.
Carol—Easter Bells, Merry Bells.
Chorus—Hail to Thee, Conqueror.
Motion Song—The Easter Day is Come.
Song and Chorus—The North Wind Cried Good-bye.
Offertory.
Solo and Chorus—The Risen Christ.
Solo and Quartette—Glory in the Highest.
Quartette and Chorus—Where the Cypress.
Solo and Chorus—He is Risen.
Song—The King of Kings.
Hymn—I Will Sing of My Redeemer.
Postlude—Triumphal March.

Mrs. C. A. Lucas came up from Auburn and spent the Sabbath at home.

A man has been around decorating windows with signs in various colors of paint. Dr. Buck had the front window of his dental rooms ornamented in gay colors and a number followed the doctor's example.

Hiram Pulsifer is reshingling the roof of his L and clapboarding part of the walls.

James McGlade was released from jail, Tuesday afternoon. His forty-five days sentence for malicious mischief had expired. He saw the express train at the depot and inquired if it was going south. The answer was yes. He said good-bye to jailer Garland and started for the train at his liveliest gait. He was late in getting there, for the train was pulling out of the yard and going at a fast speed. He caught the hand rail on the front end of a car, drew himself up, waved his hat and was gone.

Joseph Martelle has moved his family to Norway.

Mrs. Hannah Ordway of Woodstock visited relatives in town, last week.

David Millett of Oxford was in town, last week.

Carpets, oil cloths, mattings in abundance at N. Dayton Bolster's. See ad.

S. P. Stearns will soon begin work, building a cottage to rent. It will be located opposite his large new house on Pleasant Street.

Mrs. H. W. Dean is visiting friends at her former home in Berlin, N. H.

F. Coombs swapped horses with F. C. Sawyer of Norway.

It is stated that a young man in this village swapped horses, because a certain young woman who lives in this village didn't like riding after the old horse—he was too slow. The new horse can step fast.

H. W. Dean will occupy the tenement vacated by J. H. Record, over the clothing store of Wise & Glass.

We hear that F. L. Millett has sold his residence to parties named Colby.

Thomas Adams was called to Gorham, N. H., by the death of an aunt of Mrs. Adams. He went to Lowell, Mass., with the remains for interment.

Two of the Grand Trunk officials were in town, assistant superintendent Riddle and master of transportion Woodman of Portland division.

It is rumored that a Sunday train will soon run from Berlin to Portland, after the paper train arrives at Berlin.

The engagement is announced of Rev. Thomas J. Ramsdell and Kate M. Ellis.

Mrs. Daniel Swift is reported as improving. She has been ailing for a long time.

Henry M. Watkins and family have not decided where they will locate, after leaving South Paris. The statement that they will go to the sea coast is a mistake.

Work has begun on moving a house on Gothic Street, belonging to Kendall Swift. It will be placed on the eastern part of the lot and another story built on, making it a double tenement house. A house for two families will be erected on the western part of the lot.

D. W. Purington has been sick, but is gaining.

Ethan Willis showed us the blue print plans of bridges for Paris. These are the same plans that were submitted to the town at annual meeting, and influenced the voters to decide in favor of wooden bridges. They show a compound truss of the Howe pattern and would certainly be strong and heavy if built as planned.

Mrs. C. E. Dwinell is recovering from pneumonia. Her four children were just getting over whooping cough when she was taken. Her sickness was more serious on that account.

Rev. T. J. Ramsdell is visiting his brother and sister in Providence, R. I.

Frank A. Thayer will have an extensive job done with paint and paper in his house.

Mrs. Horace Perkins is dangerously ill with pneumonia. Her daughter, Mrs. Frank Kendall of West Bethel, takes care of her.

Elegant new ties at Plummer's.

H. L. Ryerson has moved into the vacant tenement at Harvey Swett's. Mr. Ryerson had been superintendent of the Tribe farm for three years, and the good price which it brought is evidence of the fact that he managed the farm well.

But little snow is now left in the streets, and some places are perfectly dry.

A beautiful pink oleander in full bloom, occupies a prominent position in one of the windows of Shurtevant's drug store, and attracts lots of attention.

There will be an Easter concert at the Methodist church.

Med Howard of Portland is visiting her many friends in town.

Jacob Nichols is in Boston, stopping with her daughter, Mrs. Warren Swett.

Emery Bonney is shingling his piazza.

Mrs. Daintree of Bangor has been visiting Jennie Skillings.

The four hose companies will meet at Engine House Hall, Saturday evening, and choose officers.

William H. Blake is having the interior woodwork throughout his house, painted and grained.

ELM HILL.—Mrs. Montrose Hollis has the banner flock of biddies. She has sold since November from a flock of 15 pullets, 80 dozen eggs and made no account of those used at home.

We hear that Jennie Tirrell will teach here, next term.

Leander Swan was the lucky man in the Grange contest, guessing within eight beans of the number the bottle contained, which was 1477. The prize was a beautiful silk quilt made by the ladies of Paris Grange. It is needless to say that Leander is proud of it.

There was a lively within this school jurisdiction to draw money the ensuing year.

Mrs. Albert Andrews visited Abbie Swan, last week.

NO 4 HILL.—Belle Corbett is working for Capt. Fred Tribou at the Cape.

Julia Corbett is at home from South Paris village for a much needed rest.

A. Thurlow sprained his ankle while at work in Billings mill.

Hubert Field was at this place, Tuesday, after hay.

SPRUE POLE.—A. D. Wing is getting his hay home.

Clarence Whitman has finished work for C. W. Shaw and gone to his home in Woodstock.

Frank Harmon is at E. E. Lander's, for a few days.

C. W. Shaw and wife were at N. G. Elder's, Tuesday.

Mrs. Abbie Mixer has gone to her daughter's, Mrs. Joseph Bradbury's, in Norway.

John Ryerson is working for S. M. King.

O. K. Clifford was at this place, Monday.

Ira Shaw has been sick and unable to work, but has gotten so to go in the store again.

EAST HEBRON.

Charles H. Ryerson, aged 32 years, 7 months and 20 days died very suddenly, the 26th. He had an attack of grippe and a sore in his head. On the 24th he went to the barn to instruct his cousin about his chores. He had another sore gather in his head and on Thursday evening the sore broke and he gave one heartrending shriek and would have thrown himself from the bed, but his cousin caught him and he breathed but twice after that. He was the only son of Algernon and the late Lizzie Ryerson. He leaves a father and three sisters who deeply lament their loss. He has been a faithful and efficient member of Sure Haven Lodge, I. O. G. T. and was deputy of that Lodge at the time of his decease. He was also a member of Hebron Center Grange. The family have the heartfelt sympathy of all. The Rev. Mr. Newport of Mechanic Falls was the officiating clergyman at the funeral, the 29th, which was largely attended by neighbors and friends.

Charles Pierce has hired to J. E. Bonney for seven months.

Frank Leadbetter is driving cream team for H. R. Keene.

Three of the Keene brothers returned from Canton with their teams, Saturday evening. They had nine horses. They found the roads hard to travel coming home, but looked very cheerful to get home again. Their cook, Moses Snell, returned with them.

One of the agents for fertilizers has resigned his agency, having lost $100 from those who cannot or will not pay, probably will not is the true idea.

East Hebron Grange had successful results from a pie supper and drama. $30 gain.

H. A. Record lost his wallet with $4 within. The last time he saw it he took from it in church for contribution, Mar. 22d. He changed his pants to do his stable chores and when taken down again his wallet was missing.

Mrs. Mary Pierce is keeping house for S. E. Brown and mother.

The bridge known as Russell bridge has been hauled from the river and adjusted in its former position.

WEST FRYEBURG.

Flossie Whitman is at North Buckfield at work for Ed Damon.

Maude Harlow is at Paris at work.

Mrs. Harry Hall is at Andrew Hall's.

Frank Rowe is at work for Gus Mayhew.

Agnes Flagg is at work for Stephen Spaulding.

John Flagg was through this place with fish, Friday Mar. 27.

Anna Heath called at Mrs. Bradbury's and Scott Brigg's, Thursday.

Scott Briggs was at A. M. Bonney's Friday.

Mabery Mayhew was in the place Saturday.

SOUTH HARRISON.

Charlie Thoms and wife have left Howard Randall's and Charles Brown has taken his place.

Maud Ross is at work at North Bridgton.

Joseph Ross still continues quite sick. He is now confined to his bed.

Quite a number of the children have got the chicken pox.

Eugene Johnson who got hurt a short time ago is improving.

Wayland Johnson will move into the Will Fogg house at the Corner, this week.

Hattie Johnson who has been clerking in the store for Geo. Crockett at Crockett's Mills, Naples, has resigned and is at home. Miss Lombard of Steep Falls has taken her place.

Grace Merrow who has been visiting in Saco has returned home.

Howard Randall is having a silo built.

BETHEL.

A pension was allowed, last week, to J. Woodman Gerrish of Brockton, Mass., of $12 a month with over $400 back pay, through the Bethel Pension Agency of J. G. Rich.

One Douglass London was arrested, last week, by officer Penley of Bethel for larceny from the Riverside House in Mayville, Bethel, and after trial by justices J. G. Rich and A. W. Grover associated and not finding the goods on his person, he was discharged. Another warrant for skipping his board at the Riverside House was at once sworn out against London and was served by officer Penley, and London was arraigned on Friday and pleaded not guilty. The case was adjourned to Saturday, at which trial he was found guilty of probable cause and bound over to the Supreme Court, the first Tuesday in May, in $200 bond and not procuring bonds he was taken to jail to await trial. During Saturday the stolen goods were found that London was charged with stealing and he may have to answer for the crime of larceny later on.

Charles Estes of Milton Plantation has an increase of pension from $6 to $12 a month, through the Bethel Pension Agency of J. G. Rich.

One hundred years ago the 10th of June the town of Bethel was incorporated and the people propose to celebrate. A paper for subscriptions will be circulated for funds headed by our generous hearted townsman, Capt. R. B. Grover of Brockton, Mass.

Fred Allen is in Boston on business, this week.

Dancing school closed last Tuesday evening.

Dr. and Mrs. Bunting from Portland are to move here soon.

The sidewalk on Main Street is getting pretty well cleaned from ice and snow.

The Helping Hand Dramatic Club went to Gorham, N. H., last Saturday, to present the four act drama, "Friss, or Beyond the Rockies." They report a good house and an excellent time. They will present it in Odeon Hall, the 10th of this month. Every one should see the amateurs in this western life play.

The chair-factory crew, the G. T. R. section crew and a few others assembled at the residence of Mr. Burbank on Railroad Street and made quick work of the large wood pile in his yard by saving it into stove wood length. Mr. Burbank has not been able to go out of doors but a few times for over three months.

Several special freight trains loaded with stock have passed through here en route for Liverpool, Eng., this week.

An oyster supper at the Good Templars this (Thursday) evening. Each member can invite any friend. All come.

Mrs. Minnie Manning and little daughter from New Castle, N. B., are visiting her mother, Mrs. Albert Copeland.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. H. C. Andrews, Tuesday p. m., April 7.

Clifton Jones has gone to work for A. C. Frost in his blacksmith shop. Mr. Jones is a first-class horse shoer.

The Y. P. S. C. E. will hold a socialde in Garland Memorial chapel, Friday evening.

Mrs. W. F. Kendall and son Guy are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Whitney in Yarmouth.

Rev. F. E. Barton and family are to take a short vacation for a few weeks.

BIRTHS.

In Norway, Mar. 27, to the wife of Daniel Watson, a daughter.
In Upton, March 25, to the wife of Bennett Morse, a daughter.
In South Paris, March 31, to the wife of H. H. Cole, a son.

MARRIAGES.

In Norway, March 29, by Rev. F. Grovenor, Thaxter B. Doughty of Greenwood and Edn L. Flint of Norway.
In Buckfield, March 28, by Rev. F. W. Sadler, Robert E. Lee Bridgham and Catherine Slattery, both of Buckfield.
In Gilead, March 18, by Rev. Henry Farrar, at the residence of J. H. Heath, Arthur C. Bennett and Jennie B. Williams, both of Gilead.
In Woodstock, March 5, by Alden Chase, esq., Elliott I. Estes of Bethel and Ella A. Knight of Woodstock.
In Ridgeville, Mar. 25, Dr

SHERIFF'S TRAIN

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The officer groaned.

"Pierre," he cried in a frenzied way, "you heard the sergeant damn me, didn't you?"

"I heard you damn the sergeant," answered the scout testily, "and I saw you kick a woman. I think it would be your wisest plan your tongue to hold!"

"Oh, Je-rusalem!" cried the officer.

"I would beg of you, sir, to leave the room," said the sergeant. "You see, we can't hold the woman here all day, and I suppose you will want to start off after the girl."

The sorely discomfited officer thought—as best he could—that it was the better thing to do under the circumstances and left the room. He was also somewhat apprehensive lest Jeannette should break loose again and be after him, and this was a contingency to be guarded against. No sooner had the officer left than Harry Yorke placed the now perfectly passive woman gently in a chair. A reaction had set in, and her demeanor underwent a complete change. She was now indulging in a hearty cry. "Oh, to think that I should have lowered myself like that," she sobbed. "But to hear the villain talk of my young mistress as he did"—and here she could not find words to express her indignation.

"You have made him pay for it, Jeannette," said Yorke. "And, by Jove! I suppose it's rank treason for me to say so, but, as my superior officer, I'm heartily ashamed of him. Thank goodness, I've only a couple of months more to put in now, for I could not stand much more of this sort of thing."

In the meantime the scout had gone out and fetched a supply of firewood in for Jeannette, then he lifted away the box of ashes for her from her stove. The trooper took the water buckets, and taking them to the well filled them. As for Jeannette, she was a kind hearted if impulsive soul, and these simple little actions touched her. She was now heartily ashamed of her late outbreak, being usually the best tempered of women—though, like the best tempered, the most dangerous when roused—but still she kept lamenting about Marie. So, in order to facilitate matters and hurry them out to follow up the tracks of her young mistress, she herself prepared breakfast for them while they were saddling up. After a somewhat hurried meal they were in the saddle once more. Jamie by this time had somewhat recovered his equanimity. He thought that by following up the tracks of the girl he would come upon her father and make an easy capture. This raised his spirits. As he had little sense of shame, the light in which he had so lately figured soon ceased to trouble him. The tracks of Jeannette's finger nails and the place where the billet of wood had struck him, however, kept on troubling. They promised to keep the incident green in his memory for some little time. But he was one of those men whom it is difficult to insult, an absence of self respect rendering such a contingency almost an impossibility. He had, however, sufficient sense to see that he had not figured in a particularly creditable light, and that the private and the scout would back up the noncom. in a matter of evidence. He therefore determined to bide his time and "hand all three," as he felicitously put it to himself, in some other way.

"Get on her trail, Pierre," cried the officer. "Surely you can track a human being in the snow."

But either the little scout was unaccountably stupid that morning or else the girl had shown considerable skill in avoiding the wreaths of snow, for he wasted some considerable time before he picked up her tracks. Indeed, it was not until after he had a whispered colloquy with the sergeant that he did so. No very great quantity of snow had indeed fallen. It was the way it had drifted before the wind that had given the impression of quantity. However, it was not so easy to follow up her tracks as they thought it would have been, for the girl, as has been said, seemed to have chosen the deepest and most treacherous drifts to walk upon, only stepping on those long strips that the wind had laid bare on purpose to give them some difficulty in picking her tracks up again. She had crossed and recrossed the rugged and tortuous creek in a most exasperating fashion. The result was that in places which she had passed over on snowshoes, leaving but little visible impression, their horses sank and floundered about in a dangerous manner. On more than one occasion the officer, chafing under the delay and eager to show the scout that he was not going fast enough, would put spurs to his horse and shoot ahead for 50 yards or so. Then all at once he would disappear in a drift or into the concealed bed of the creek, where nothing would be seen of him save his bearskin cap and the fine snow dust flying into the air as his poor horse plunged and pawed helplessly. However, Jamie could always be heard. Yuba Bill or a Queensland bullock driver could not have expressed himself more forcibly on such occasions. The delay thus caused by extricating him from such positions was considerable. On one occasion the scout, whose plan it was to throw his lariat over the officer's head and shoulders, and thus draw him out, pulled "rather prematurely," as Dick Townley characterized it, and the rope tightening round Jamie's neck nearly succeeded in strangling him before they realized his position.

But all this time Harry Yorke was sorely disturbed in his own mind. He knew that if by now the girl had not met her father she must be exhausted and unable to proceed farther. If she had met her father, say, three or four hours before that time, then, her father and his partner, having enough time, could either hurry past them by some other route up the coulees which they knew so well, or else they could throw off the liquor.

And if they were taken empty handed then the police had no hold upon them. But if she had not met her father and had sunk down exhausted on that shelterless prairie, might not she have given way to that insidious death sleep and be even now beyond the reach of earthly succor? The thought struck through him like a knife. They must hurry on at any hazards—it was getting on for midday now. His mind was made up, he must speak to the officer.

"I beg your pardon, sir," he said; "how would it do to make for that bend of the creek we see about three miles off and cut the tracks? You see, she must have followed down this creek. It's little use losing time and playing out our horses following it round. Besides, I am not quite sure if we can do that anyhow. It's an awkward place—Deadman's gully we call it, where some Indians are buried. I am sure it will be all but impassable just now."

"Why the dickens didn't you suggest that before?" was the officer's somewhat unreasonable reply, seeing that the proposed short cut had only just presented itself. Then he added querulously: "Blow me, but it seems I've got to do the thinking for the whole party. I don't know what on earth would become of you fellows if you hadn't a man with a head on him to do the thinking part of the business for you."

It was just on the tip of Dick Townley's tongue to utter a pious "Amen" in a spirit of mild sarcasm, but he luckily recollected himself just in time, and preserved a discreet and proper silence. As for the sergeant, he bore the attempted snub as he bore many others, with a spirit of patient submission, albeit he could safely have told the officer that he—the inspector—being in charge of the party, was supposed to do the thinking.

If Jamie and his worthy compeer, McTurk (the enlightened individual who said "a horse's life was of more importance than a man's," and that "a policeman was a machine and not supposed to think"), had been a couple of mules hitched up together in a team, one of them would have backed over a precipice for the sheer satisfaction of pulling the other with it and having its own way.

It was noon now, and they had again cut the tracks of the girl as they approached the creek. They were making for a little ridge about half a mile ahead of them, which would command a comprehensive view of the prairie and the gateway of the Devil's Playground, when the scout, who had been riding in advance, suddenly checked his horse and gave a low whistle. The others "loped" up. In the snow and traveling from the southeast to northwest was a wagon track.

"Done!" gasped Jamie, growing purple in the face. "She's met them and has given us the slip, and they've made for Medicine Hat. Oh, by the beard of Julius Cæsar, some of you fellows'll languish in Joey Trigof's hotel yet for this!"

He spoke frantically, and it must be confessed somewhat confusedly. His remarks regarding the hotel had reference to those historic quarters under the tender charge of the provost sergeant, dignified by the name of the guardroom, where members of the rank and file too frequently enjoyed terms of enforced hospitality for slight breaches of discipline. Honored rank and file, Louis Riel, Gaudier, Racette and other murderers in these same cells have partaken of a like hospitality and cheered you with their playful remarks as, separated by a half inch board, you rose in the morning to the exhilarating strains of reveille.

The sergeant, as if he had not heard the officer's remarks, spoke.

"But where is the girl? You see her tracks go right on to the ridge. She must be somewhere on the prairie, for this wagon has crossed her tracks. She must have gone on long before this wagon came up, and whoever was in the wagon cannot have noticed her tracks. The girl must perish if some one does not follow her up!"

"Done!" gasped Jamie.

"Let her"—

But he did not finish his sentence; the look upon the face of the noncommissioned officer terrified him. Bully that he was, he literally quailed before the "What!" that thundered from the lips of the sergeant. But he recovered himself and cried:

"You, Pierre, get on this wagon track and follow it up, and you, Yorke and Townley, go with Pierre. Look here, I give you a written order," and, cold as it was, he took a notebook and pencil from his buffalo coat, and, scrawling something on it, threw it to the sergeant. "That'll protect you," he said. "I guess I'm running this show, and not you. I'll answer to Larry."

This was Jamie's habitual way of talking of the commissioner, so it was not to be wondered at if there was sometimes considerable disregard paid to relative rank among a certain class in the Northwest mounted police force.

"Then, sir, will you see after the girl?" asked the sergeant respectfully. "You see, if she perishes, there will be an inquiry, and, of course—I mean no disrespect—the circumstances of the case will all come out."

"Go on, oh, go on!" roared Jamie. "None of your cockneyfied insolence! I'll stop here in the meantime—that's more than enough for you. You'd better get a rustle on, and catch up with old St. Denis, for it's him, beyond doubt."

Jamie chuckled to himself as he watched the party out of sight. Then he drew a pipe from his pocket, already charged, and began to smoke. Soon he got off his horse and sat on the snow. But before long the intense frost froze up his pipe, and he had to stop smoking. How long he would have sat in that enviable, trancelike state peculiar to him it is needless to speculate upon, but the coldness of his seat forced itself upon him in a rather disagreeable manner. He then led his horse by the bridle rein and endeavored to follow Marie St. Denis' tracks, but he got into a drift and floundered about helplessly. (The irreverent private had said that Jamie in a snowdrift resembled a porpoise in a barrel of sawdust.) On the still air of that prairie there arose a choice flow of language that had even the badgers happened to be out and overheard would have shocked their notions of propriety. At last he got clear of the drift.

"No use," he said to himself. "Can't follow the wench up, though I would have liked to. Strikes me the best thing I can do is to follow Yorke and capture the wagon. Guess there will be lots of good stuff on board, and a nip wouldn't go bad this morning."

And no sooner had he come to this conclusion than he jumped on his horse, and, putting spurs to it, loped after the wagon, which had evidently been driven by one who had a thorough knowledge of the snowclad prairie, for the tracks meandered along the clear, wind swept ridges, where traveling was comparatively easy, and, while pursuing a certain course, always avoided snowdrifts and treacherous spots on either side.

CHAPTER XII.

It was now well on in the afternoon, and the sun shone clearly out, as he always does in the northwest no matter how low the thermometer is. Though there was no warmth in his rays, still they gave a feeling of life even to that ghastly, featureless landscape. The snow glowed and shimmered like burnished silver; millions of diamondlike crystals scintillated and sparkled in a dazzling fashion on its surface. It is this painful glittering of the sun's rays upon the snow that causes snow blindness, which many dwellers in these regions know to their cost.

For some hours the police party had been following up the tracks of the wagon, but as yet had been unable to overtake it.

"Mon Dieu!" exclaimed the little scout at length, "how they must have traveled! But overtake them we shall yet! For the Medicine Hat ranch they will make, and surely their horses cannot travel farther—ours won't anyhow. But here comes monsieur the inspector."

The sergeant stopped fearfully and looked round. It was as the scout had said, it was his superior officer—and alone. Harry Yorke experienced a strange sinking at his heart—where was the girl? And there rose before him a vision of Marie St. Denis upon some ridge of that lonely prairie, looking around wistfully for the succor that came not, and striving bravely but vainly to resist the spells of the king of dreams, whose realms border on that land from which no wanderer may retrace his steps.

"Did you not find her, sir?" the sergeant asked the inspector with a tremor in his voice that struck the officer as not a little ominous.

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All gold, without alloy.
I claim no patent right in this,
My knowledge here displayed;
Vast numbers of self conscious lights,
Have oft a force swayed.
To herald forth in triumphant tones,
Their wisdom to the world;
That men should heed and make it sure,
Their banners be unfurled.
Yes, pygmies all the way along,
Ambitious of renown;
Have sought with scan of rhetoric,
To aspirations crown.
Then why not I, my wits employ,
To point a leading star;
In this our literal firmament?
I'll leave the gates ajar
That other teachers may find the word,
May flash a beacon light;
May prove a grand phylactery,
To guide their kind aright.
So onto you, ye youths to-day,
Renewing my refrain;
With magic of ambiguity
Do I retouch the strain.
I would not paint my troubles here,
Nor prate of worldly sin;
To cast a gloom o'er your young minds,
To mar your peace within.
But wonderous strange is nature's plan,
To lift the youthful wing,
To Pisgah's height it soars aloft,
In later days to find
That tides most potent intervene,
To counteract the glow,
Of summer sun, and sunny skies,
For we poor souls follow.
Proud nature builds her castles high
With gaudy dome and spire,
To tempt the giddy youth to climb,
To gain his heart's desire.
Ambition's slave seeks for a name,
He climbs the giddy height;
His friends are not at hand,
With louder crash he falls to earth;
He builded on the sand.
You need not hear what others say,
Apparently your friends;
Lest they should pull your structure down
For mercenary ends.
It matters not how man may count
Your standing, or your rate;
Though good opinions savor well
In summing your estate.
To build a structure strong and grand,
With character for base,
With conscience lining up its form,
Through bottom, sill, and brace.
'Tis youthful timber, stout and strong,
This structure doth demand;
No knarled and crooked blocks should hold
A place upon this stand.
The builder must be firm as rock,
With purpose well defined;
And he not swerved to right or left
By him of laxer mind.
On this foundation all may build
A conclave, clear and bold;
All other lines will classify
A character to mold.
A pattern here we'll introduce,
To guide your steps aright;
To help you on to higher life
Where virtue sheds her light.
A Washington is ever held
A man of noble mold;
Whose works and deeds have ever shone
More brilliant far than gold.
A Lincoln's heart was ever true,
For freemen and for home;
A love he bore for all mankind,
No brighter ever shone.
But not to these grand, brilliant lights
We bid you to aspire;
For blood in rivers paved the way
To raise their banners higher.
There is but one, one model path,
To follow this you can;
Let conscience be your guiding star,
Avoid the wiles of man.

GILBERT TILLTON.

Buckfield, Feb. 22, 1896.

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HANOVER.

The Pierce Library is now open again. This library is as fine a one as you will find anywhere according to the size. The "Lend a Hand" Society has issued a catalogue.

We understand that Nelson Austin will not take the Brown place as expected.

Erastus Hopkins of Worcester, Mass., is on a hunting trip with W. C. Holt as guide.

G. L. Smith has got all of his birch hauled to the mill by putting on extra teams.

E. E. Howe has put in a new stock of leather for shoes.

E. C. Holt has gone to work for G. L. Smith, running his bolter.

O. S. Dyke has moved his household goods into the H. A. Staples rent and gone to the Lakes to work for the summer.

Eva Hayford is the new librarian at the Pierce Library.

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NORTH WOODSTOCK.

Mrs. Ellen Russell and son from Oxford visited her brother, C. H. Sessions, last Sunday, returning Tuesday.

Coleman Hemingway and wife of South Rumford visited his sister, Mrs. Mary Ackley, last Tuesday.

Mrs. Cullen Abbott is dangerously sick and her friends are very anxious about her.

Mrs. Judith Howe is in very poor health.

George Brown has finished work at Dickvale and returned home with his teams.

R. H. Sessions is about finishing up his lumbering job at Dickvale. He will break camp and return home at once.

Lizzie Millett is at work for her aunt, Nellie Abbott, at the village.

Quincy Millett is staying at N. Farnum's.

C. H. Sessions was at Hanover, Saturday.

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Notice.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Norway, and all persons liable to taxation therein:—

You are hereby notified that the Assessors will be in session at the Assessors' Office, in Norway Opera House, in said town, on Saturday, April 11th, 1896, from 10 a. m., to 4 p. m. for the purpose of receiving true and perfect lists of the polls and all the estates, real and personal, not by law exempted from taxation, which you are possessed of, or hold as guardian, executor, administrator or trustee, in said town of Norway, on the first day of April, A. D. 1896, which lists you are requested to bring in and be prepared to make oath to the truth of the same.

Any person who neglects to bring in such list will be doomed to a tax, according to the laws of the state, and be barred of the right to make application to the Assessors or the County Commissioners for any abatement of his taxes, unless he shows that he was unable to offer such list at the time appointed.

Dated at Norway, aforesaid, March 23, 1896.

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The subscriber hereby gives public notice that she has been duly appointed by the Honorable Judge of Probate for the County of Oxford and assumed the trust of Administratrix of the estate of

ALEEDA BRYANT, late of Norway, in said County, deceased, by giving bond as the law directs; she therefore requests all persons indebted to the estate of said deceased to make immediate payment, and those who have any demands thereon to exhibit the same to

March 17, 1896. (13-15) RUTH A. FOSTER.

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OCBANANN S. MARTIN, late of Lovell, in said County, deceased, by giving bond as the law directs; he therefore requests all persons indebted to the estate of said deceased to make immediate payment, and those who have any demands thereon to exhibit the same to

March 17, 1896 (13-15) JOHN B. MARTIN.

The subscriber hereby gives public notice that he has been duly appointed by the Honorable Judge of Probate for the County of Oxford and assumed the trust of Administrator of the estate of

ROXANNA YOUNG, late of Norway, in said County, deceased, by giving bond as the law directs; he therefore requests all persons indebted to the estate of said deceased to make immediate payment, and those who have any demands thereon to exhibit the same to

March 17, 896. (13-15) FRED L. YOUNG.

The subscriber hereby gives public notice that he has been duly appointed by the Honorable Judge of Probate for the County of Oxford, and assumed the trust of Executor of the estate of

MARY F. BRADLEY, late of Fryeburg, in said County, deceased, by giving bond as the law directs; he therefore requests all persons indebted to the estate of said deceased to make immediate payment, and those who have any demands thereon to exhibit the same to EDWARD E. HASTINGS.

March 17th, 1896. 13-15

The subscribers hereby give public notice that they have been duly appointed by the Honorable Judge of Probate for the County of Oxford and assumed the trust of Executors of the estate of

DAVID K. HASTINGS, late of Fryeburg, in said County, deceased, by giving bond as the law directs; they therefore request all persons indebted to the estate of said deceased to make immediate payment, and those who have any demands thereon to exhibit the same to MARY J. HASTINGS.

March 17, 1896. EDWARD E. HASTINGS. (13-15)

STATE OF MAINE.

OXFORD, SS: March 18th, A. D. 1896.

This is to give notice. That on the 18th day of March, A. D. 1896, a warrant in Insolvency was issued out of the Court of Insolvency for said County of Oxford, against the estate of Frank W. Kimball of Oxford, adjudged to be an insolvent debtor, on petition of said debtor, which petition was filed on the 18th day of March, A. D. 1896, to which last named date interest on claims is to be computed;

That the payment of any debts and the delivery and transfer of any property belonging to said debtor, to him or for his use and the delivery and transfer of any property by him are forbidden by law;

That a meeting of the creditors of said debtor, to prove their debts and choose one or more Assignees of his estate will be held at a Court of Insolvency to be holden at Paris, in said county, on the 22nd day of April, A. D. 1896, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon.

Given under my hand the date first above written.

CHANDLER GARLAND, Deputy Sheriff as Messenger of the Court of Insolvency for said County of Oxford. 13-15

OXFORD, SS: At a Court of Probate held at Paris, within and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of March, A. D. 1896.

WILLIE GARY, named Executor in a certain instrument purporting to be the last Will and Testament of William W. Gary, late of Norway, in said County, deceased, having presented the same for Probate;

ORDERED—That the said petitioner give notice to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Advertiser, printed at Norway, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Paris, in said County, on the third Tuesday of April, next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the said instrument should not be proved, approved and allowed as the last Will and Testament of said deceased, and that Willie Gary be appointed executor.

GEO. A. WILSON, Judge.

A true copy—Attest:

ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

STATE OF MAINE.

OXFORD, SS:—Probate Court, March Term, A. D. 1896.

A certain instrument, purporting to be a copy of the last Will and Testament of Stephen A. Holt, late of Winchester, in the State of Massachusetts and of the probate thereof in said State duly authenticated, having been presented to the Judge of Probate for our said County of Oxford for the purpose of being allowed, filed and recorded in the Probate Court for said County:

ORDERED, That notice thereof be given to all persons interested therein, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Advertiser, printed at Norway, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Paris, in said county, on the third Tuesday of April, next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, against the same.

GEO. A. WILSON, Judge.

A true copy—Attest:

ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

NOTICE OF WARNING.

Whereas, my wife, Lizzie P. Kilgore, has left my bed and board without just cause, I hereby warn all persons against harboring or trusting her on my account, as I shall pay no bills of her contracting after this date.

Norway, Me., March 6th, 1896.

12-14* ADELBERT D. KILGORE.

Witness, D. C. Clark.

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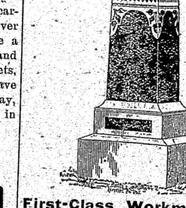

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NORWICH, CONN., Dec. 30, 1895.

THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., Atlanta, Ga.

GENTLEMEN:—Will you kindly mail me your book on blood poison, skin diseases and cancer? My mother, 76 to 78 years of age, has a cancer in the rectum. Two of our best doctors here have given her up, and say the sooner she dies the better for herself, and if she lives long she will die in agony. While I do not know that they are wrong in their opinions, I am not satisfied with them, and believe your S. S. S., if it does not cure her, will at least relieve her so she will die peacefully. I got her started on your S. S. S. yesterday, and what I want of your book is points as to bathing or injecting. Will be pleased to hear from you soon.

Yours very truly,
G. L. CROSGROVE,
Box 154, Norwich, Conn.

NORWICH, CONN., Feb. 6, 1896.

THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., Atlanta, Ga.

GENTLEMEN:—When I wrote you the latter part of December, my mother was, according to the honest belief of three physicians, on her deathbed; she could not retain either food or medicine on her stomach, and it did not seem reasonable to think there was anything but death to relieve her. The doctors informed us she had a cancer in the lower bowel and there was no cure for her. She showed such vitality for a person to be so near death we thought there must be something to help her, and reading of others being saved by the use of your S. S. S., we thought it would do no harm, if not some good, to try it, so we informed her of her condition, just as the doctors had informed us, and left it with her to try your remedy or not, as she saw fit. She concluded to try it and from the first dose or two, she began to brighten up, and improve; she can now get up, dress and help herself, and can eat everything or anything she wants and no distress from it. We all feel quite hopeful that the cancer will pass away in due time by the use of your S. S. S., which she will now gladly take. You may make this letter as public as you choose, and the more so the better, as too much praise can not be given your valuable remedy.

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Hast'ning their mission to unfold.

Those who have sought this Crystal Spring
Weary with pain and suffering,
Who nauseous drugs have long endured,
Rejoice that here they soon are cured.

Touch not the wine cup's poisoned rim,
But fill the chalice to the brim
With nectar from this Spring, 'twill bring
No shame, no sad awakening.

And then they tell with joyful hearts,
The magic power this Spring imparts,
Long may its healing waters bless
For health brings hope and happiness.

E. BROWNELL.

(Written for the Advertiser.)

Shopping Expedition

Of Susan Pettengill and daughter Jemima.

One morning in November I says to Hezekiah, "Now if you'll harness up the roan mare I'll take Jemima up to the store and get her a new coat."

Hezekiah turned round and looked at me as much as a minute before he said a word. Then he said, "Well I declare, Susan, you don't mean to say that girl has gone to have something else, do ye? It is first a dress and a hat, and now it's a coat, and I am getting tired of it."

I am a very meek woman and don't say very much, but it made kind o riled to hear Hezekiah talk so, and I says to him, says I "Hezekiah, don't you talk like that; you know that the dancing master has been paying Jemima a good deal of attention of late, and I want her to look pretty well this winter, and perhaps she'll get him.

Hezekiah looked kind of meek and says, "Well, Susan, what do you intend to get her and about what will it cost?"

"Oh," says I, "I think I may get her one of those ere rubber things they call mackintoshes, and I guess it will cost about two seventy-five."

Hezekiah looked awfully relieved and says, "Well I don't know but what you can have the horse as well as not, so get ready."

I went in and told Jemima what I was going to do. She didn't seem to say much, but went and got ready.

When Hezekiah came out to the door with the horse he says, "Susan, be careful and not spend any more money than you can help." But I didn't mind that, for it's what he always says.

Jemima drove and when we got to the store, after she hitched the horse, she says, "Ma, please let me take the pocket book." I was kind of startled, but handed it to her, for she is an awful strong minded girl, but I thought I would go rite ahead and drive a sharp bargain.

When we went in a clerk came up to us and said, "What can I do for you today, ladies?" Jemima spoke rite up and said she would like to see some outside garments.

The clerk smiled and says, "Walk this way, ladies." He took down some cloaks and tried them on to Jemima. She looked real well in them, but they didn't seem to suit Jemima. At last he took down some capes that looked like those big curly dogs you see and tried one of them on to Jemima. Those struck her eye. She asked him how much they were. He said "ten dollars, and cheap at that."

I see Jemima kind of wanted it, so I asked him if he couldn't sell it cheaper. But he said "No."

I told Jemima we would go to some other store, but she didn't seem inclined to go. She stood still a moment; then tol i the clerk to put up that cape. Well, I tell you I was so thunder struck, I dropped right down on the seat. Jemima says, "Don't you think it pretty, ma?"

I didn't answer but I looked at her as much as to say, you wait till we get home, young lady.

The clerk came along with the cape and asked me if there was anything I would take. I spoke right up sharp and says, "No, sir."

Jemima said she would like to see some dress goods. I says, "Jemima!" with an awful accent.

But she didn't pay any attention to me. She looked at the dress goods and says, "How do you like this, ma?" I spoke right up and said "I wouldn't have it." I looked at the clerk so he had almost a good mind to put it up.

But Jemima kept right on smiling and told him she would have twelve yards for ma a dress.

I says, "No you won't either," but I saw Jemima was going to have her own way so I went out on the steps. I was so mad I couldn't do anything but grip my teeth to Jemima every time she looked at me.

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Annual Summary

NORWAY SOCIETY DIRECTORY.

A cordial invitation is extended to strangers who belong to any of these organizations to visit meetings when in town.

OXFORD LODGE, F. & A. M., No. 18, meets in Masonic Hall, Monday evening, on or before full moon. B. F. Bradbury, W. M.; H. D. Snell, Sec'y.

UNION ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER, No. 26, meets in Masonic Hall, Wednesday evening, on or before full moon. W. H. Knowland, H. P.; H. D. Snell, Sec'y.

NORWAY LODGE, No. 16, I. O. O. F., meets in their hall every Tuesday evening. Frank E. Walkham, N. G.; A. G. Mason, Sec'y.

WILDEY ENCAMPMENT, No. 21, I. O. O. F., meets in their hall the second and fourth Friday evenings of each month. Merton L. Kimball, C. P.; A. G. Mason, Scribe.

MT. HOPE REBEKAH LODGE, No. 58, I. O. O. F., meets in Odd Fellows' Hall the first and third Friday evenings of each month. Leona G. Tubbs, N. G.; Eva M. Kimball, Sec'y.

HARRY BURT POST, No. 34, G. A. R., meets in Rebekah Hall, on the third Friday evening of each month. S. L. Etheridge, Com.; E. H. Brown, Adjt. W. S. Cornisch, Q. M.

PENNESSEWASSEE LODGE, No. 13, K. of P., meets in their hall, Hathaway Block, every Tuesday evening. John W. Curtis, C. C.; Merton L. Kimball, K. of R. & S.

H. O. WORK DRUMMOND, No. 12, U. R., K. of P., meet in Pythian Hall, the third Friday in each month. A. J. Rowe, Sir Knight Captain; A. Holland, Sir Knight Recorder.

NORWAY COMMANDERY, No. 27, U. O. G. C., meets at Masonic Hall, 1st and 4th Thursday evenings of each month. M. H. Merriam, N. C.; F. E. Gresham, K. of R. & S.

PARADISE LODGE, No. 64, U. A. O. D., meets in Rebekah Hall, on the first and third Wednesday evenings of each month. G. Julian Brown, Worthy Master; Mrs. O. A. Holden, Secretary.

NORWAY GRANGE, No. 561, N. E. O. P., meets at Grand Army Hall, South Paris, the first and third Wednesday evenings of each month. Horace L. Swan, Warden; Mrs. P. D. Swan, Sec.

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OPTICIAN,

Norway in the Forties. No. 233.

Of two neglected immigrants of 1830, Benjamin Peabody and Jabez Chubb.

Our Centennial History consigns these two old residents to oblivion, by not naming them in its biography. Peabody's home was always on the "two-mile road" where he brought up a family of eleven children. Chubb was drowned in Crooked River. My information concerning them is somewhat meagre, but such as I have I am pleased to present, to give them recognition among the early pioneers to which they are surely entitled.

We are supposed to be once more on the "two-mile road" in north-west Norway, nearly three-fourths of a mile this side (easterly) of the old homestead of immigrant Stephen Pingree, and at the first house east of Pierce's, where Ed. Dunn now lives. Climbing back into the misty past to the very first of the opening years of the century, we find a man by the name of Benjamin Peabody living here. He was the first settler on the place and must have come in as early as 1800. His first house was a small, one-story frame structure, such as were common at that time, and contained but two rooms when first built; later however small rooms were added to the back side, giving a pantry and an additional sleeping room.

This house was burned about eleven o'clock one night in the month of Sept., 1810. The fire caught in the "catting" or topping out of the chimney, which would indicate that it was built of mud and sticks. Bricks were undoubtedly a great luxury at that time.

During his first year on the place, he had no time (if he had the means) to put up a barn. But his only cow must have shelter from the angry blasts of the fast coming winter, and the very important question must be speedily settled. Perhaps the reader has passed over that road, and has noticed a ledge of rock thrusting its rough old head above the surface just on the brow of a hill, perhaps twenty rods west of the house, with a prominent, quite well-formed shelf, projecting from the west side. Benjamin's ready wit soon changed that shelf of rock into the roof of a room where the cow found warmth and comfort the first winter. He stood slabs and boards on end and filled in all vacant places with large ever-green boughs, making a very comfortable if not a very thrifty-appearing stable.

He came into this country from Londonderry which is a small town in Rockingham County, N. H., twenty miles from the Massachusetts line. Stephen Pingree, of whom we have lately read, came from the same vicinity, and there is no doubt that each knew of the other's intentions to come into the wilderness in this part of Massachusetts.

Previous to coming here he had married Mary, the second child and oldest daughter of John Bancroft of Lyme, Mass. (See No. 189 of the Forties.) She was b. Sept. 4, 1770. Her father came here also in 1800 and settled a little further to the west, at the top of the Merrill hill.

Mary (Bancroft) Peabody is represented as a most excellent, worthy woman. She d. Sept. 12, 1823. A few years later Benjamin m. 2d Mrs. Releaf Chubb, the widow of Jabez Chubb, Sen. She was the daughter of Phineas Whitney, the old Revolutionary soldier of one leg memory. (See No. 139 of the Forties.) Her first husband was drowned in Crooked River in about 1816, while driving logs in the spring.

Benj. Peabody remained on the farm where he pitched his tent when he first arrived in the country. When his small cabin was burned in 1810 he built again on the same spot, a larger and better house, where he cared for his increasing family, which in time numbered eleven or twelve children, until sometime in the early Thirties, when he d. and was laid at rest at the top of the Merrill hill.

Of this man's children I can say but little. So far as I know only two of them remained in town. I am not sure that I have them in the order of birth.

First, Charlotte, m. Asa Johnson and settled in Albany on a farm one mile north of Hunt's Corner, where they both died. They have four children;—two boys, Newell and Lyman, both dead, and two girls, Ann who m. Ephraim Green, and Olive who is m. and lives in Albany.

Second, Mary (called "Polly") m. a Lombard and resided in Otisfield until her decease.

Third, Lydia, m. Jabez Chubb, Jr. We have seen above how Lydia's father m. Jabez's widowed mother. This child of the old settled lived and d. in Norway and we will see where.

Travelling northerly from Hall's, later Hoyt's, now York's Mill, we soon reach the foot of a moderate hill, where a new road branches to the right to go around on more level land. We keep the straight road (which is supposed to be better) and travel part way up the rise towards the old Daniel Holt homestead, until we find a road leading to the left over some poor land rich in rocks and rough spots, and having altogether a desolate, discouraged look, and disappearing up a lazy hill in a cod-ledge beyond. Passing the wood lot we come into an opening where for many years two families, and part of the time three, have made their home. Two houses stand there still but they are practically deserted.

Lyndon Cox is just now a tenant in the first one. The owner, who had been there many years, Mr. James Jordan, left it two years ago and is now keeping a boarding house on Danforth Street in the village.

The second house in the opening a little way beyond Jordan's was built by Mark Grover in about 1840. Mark and his wife lived and d. there. His wife was half sister to Larius Holt's second wife, which probably accounts for their being there. Benj. Richardson, son of Simon, now owns the place but does not live there.

This road running across from the York mill road to the road running from Yagger straight to John S. Shedd's, and so on up the Merrill hill, is only about three-fourths of a mile in length, and has twenty rods west of the house, with a prominent, quite well-formed shelf, projecting from the west side. Benjamin's ready wit soon changed that shelf of rock into the roof of a room where the cow found warmth and comfort the first winter. He stood slabs and boards on end and filled in all vacant places with large ever-green boughs, making a very comfortable if not a very thrifty-appearing stable.

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My trade being composed largely of oculists and specialists from all over the country, I am pleased to see that your corrections of "errors of refraction" compare favorably with any that I have received, and I should think that the people of your town would feel themselves blessed in having such a worthy person, and one so competent to look after their eyes.
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There never was found such a deaf old grammer
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Deaf to sounds as a ship out of soundings,
Deaf to verbs and all their compoundings,
Adjective, noun and adverb and particle,
Deaf to even the definite article,
No verbal message was worth a pin
Though you hired an earwig to carry it in."

Yet she was no more deaf than is many a business man to the cry of people anxious to learn where and what to buy. And the sound of their questioning is heard throughout all the land and it ceaseth not, neither shall it remain forever unanswered. For another shall arise that will hearken unto it and will tell people what he hath to sell and where to find his store. And verily, all the people shall flock unto him.

First thunder, Monday morning.

We have a nice line of cuts for horse printing. We are also ready to procure special cuts for that line of work.

And the wind blew. Blew hard and strong and kept it up during the whole night. Everything that could rattle was shaken and made to give forth noise. Thursday night of last week was the time.

Annie Burbank of Norway has been visiting her brother and sister, J. C. Burbank and Mrs. W. S. Potter, in Gorham, N. H.

Hosea McKay, Jesse Edwards and Ed Thompson had a successful fishing trip to Thompson Pond. Seven bouncing big togue and eight beautiful cusk was the capture.

In this village is a young man who came from the city and has given the townspeople much instruction as to the ways and means of doing things in the metropolis. He is an ardent Republican and an enthusiastic admirer of the great Tom Reed. He became ambitious to do some missionary work for the object of his devotion, and conceived the idea of supplying the region with lapel buttons to advertise the noted stateman's name and features. He didn't inquire of any campaign club, novelty dealer or people handling campaign goods. He went to headquarters, to the great source of all that he considered good, beautiful and effective in campaign buttons, and sent a letter to the Speaker of the National House of Representatives at Washington, asking him to forward five hundred of the desired buttons and promising a faithful distribution of the same.

Geo. A. Churchill of Mechanic Falls has again gone on the road selling custom shoes for E. E. Millett & Co.

At the suggestion of Hon. W. W. Stetson, State Supt. of Schools, it has been thought best to call a meeting of teachers and school officers interested in forming an Oxford County Teachers' Association. This meeting will be held at the Norway High School building, on Saturday, April 11th, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of organizing with a view to holding a meeting in the early part of May.

Daniel Green's horse died, Sunday morning. Cause, colic.

Four inches of damp snow fell, Sunday.

How about your horse? Is he all right? The bottom dropped out of the horse market, a few weeks ago, but things have changed. The demand for good horses is increasing. We are prepared to do horse printing of every kind, and trust that you will take advantage of the improved state of affairs by doing a little advertising. Cards, circulars, catalogues or anything else will be furnished promptly, in good shape and at a reasonable figure.

Two fellows in this place had a discussion over how much one's dress was noticed when on the street. One said that, wearing one rubber, he would walk a half mile along the busy section of Main Street at a time when the sidewalks were crowded and not a person would notice the difference in his footwear. The statement was doubted, so the feat was attempted. It was successful, not one noticing his feet, though he stopped several times to talk with different people.

The Masonic Library has just received a valuable addition comprising many records of Grand Lodge proceedings from the other Nor. American jurisdictions and some from Europe. Many of these were for years and occasions that it is hard to get official accounts of. Past Grand Master Burbank was the donor.

Several who have been working in other shoe factories during the "dull times" we have been having, this winter, are returning.

Our stores are beginning to put on a decided spring look. New goods for spring and summer wear are now being displayed, and many of them are beauties.

There will be an Easter Concert at the Universalist church, Sunday evening.

Appropriate Easter sermons and services at all the churches, next Sabbath.

Fred H. and Fannie Cummings visited Boston, several days the past week.

James Smith is making quite extensive repairs on the inside of his house on Deering Street.

We understand the Norway Medicine Co. are not to put a team on the road, this summer, as for several seasons past. The Brown's Instant Relief is having a large and increasing sale.

There will be a Sabbath-school concert at the Baptist church, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock instead of the regular preaching service and Sabbath-school. In the evening there will be a preaching service and baptism.

Charles Dwinal has moved from Lower Fiddyville to South Paris and Mr. Mattelle has purchased the stand he vacated.

The Misses Webling, who gave an entertainment in the Opera House, Monday evening, spent the Sabbath in Norway.

Wm. Gordon has purchased the Pledge stand and moved there. His mother, Mrs. Mary J. Gordon, has moved from Dr. A. N. French's house and will live with him.

W. H. Dunn's dog had an encounter with the engine near the depot, Saturday, and got worsted so he had to be killed.

All Recommend It.
Ask your physician, your druggist and your friends about Shiloh's Cure for Consumption. They will recommend it.

FRYEBURG.

George P. Haley of Wakefield, Mass., has been in town, this week, called by the illness of his father, T. J. Haley.

J. S. Barrows of Boston was here for a day, last week.

John W. Hutchins is clerking for C. H. Tibbetts.

Miss E. E. Abbott is home from Amherst, Mass., for a short vacation.

Florence Wiley goes to Leland Falls to teach in the public schools.

J. W. Towle resigned his office of Superintendent of schools and Orrin Charles was elected to fill the vacancy.

Miss Hodsdon of Ossipee, N. H., is the guest of Mrs. W. R. Tarbox.

W. H. Tarbox has been at his home here for a few days.

The Chautauqua circle met with Miss Hastings on Monday night. The subject of the program was "Oliver Wendell Holmes."

Mary Gordon has returned from Portland, where she has been during the winter studying drawing.

The drama, "The Last Loaf," was presented at the Congregationalist vestry, Thursday evening. It was played in an excellent manner and showed that much careful preparation had been given to it. Music was furnished by a quartette and the Fryeburg orchestra.

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Karl's Clover Root Tea purifies the blood and gives a clear and beautiful complexion.

A. R. Jenness has been in Boston, this week.

The two churches will observe Easter Sunday with appropriate services.

Mrs. E. E. Hastings has been in Boston.

Mrs. B. N. Stone has been ill, the result of a severe fall.

Miss Rankin of Hiram is attending school at the Academy.

Miss M. E. Woodward is at Mrs. Fife's.

Walter Mansfield is to occupy the Cousins house on Oxford Street.

T. L. Eastman has returned from New York.

S. R. Charles has recovered from a severe cold.

B. T. Newman has been making sketches of the Crawford Notch.

Miss Charles and sister have gone to East Conway to stay with their nephew, Frank Seavey.

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There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address,
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Frank Stockton's new story, "Mrs. Cliff's Yacht," which begins in the April Cosmopolitan, promises to be one of the most interesting ever written by that fascinating story-teller. Readers of "The Adventures of Captain Horn" will find in "Mrs. Cliff's Yacht" something that they have been waiting for.

(Written for the Advertiser.)

Why?

Why should we tell people when we go to a new village or place to reside of the superior qualities of our former abode? It surely does not make us more agreeable to the new people with whom we have cast our lot, either for a longer or shorter time, to be told of their inferiority and our superiority.

Why should we boast of our former acquaintances and companions and flaunt their wisdom and social position, as much as to say, "Poor, simple ignoramuses, you can never aspire to be on equal terms with ME?"

Why, if the place should happen to be a village, should we feel called upon to compare its places of business or amusements, in short everything within its borders, to those of a metropolis? Doubtless no one in that little remote village ever was foolish enough to think before our fertile brain suggested the idea that it was a Boston. Though it might be stand and moved would be a serious thing to suddenly change it to a Chicago or a New York,—and the smaller the village the worse the result.

Why do we think that the moment we plant our feet firmly on this to us new soil, that everybody and the whole town is to be at once conformed to our ideas and our opinions? Perhaps that town has been in existence more than a hundred years and the peoples' grandfathers and great-grandfathers have resided there. Why would it not be better to take things as we find them and try to find what good there may be?

Why do we after we have lived with this people a few months or years sometimes have a change of heart towards them? Most of them answered us not an unhandsome word when we "reviled them and spoke all manner of evil against them" and theirs. Truly it was a surprise to find out gradually that most of them had even seen Boston and the other places and things we had told them of so glibly. Some of them had travelled farther and mingled more with the outside world than we. But the big and final humiliation came when it was clear to us that these poor and despised people took us at our true value from the very first and wisely held their peace and said nothing.

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The Portland and Rumford Falls railway reply to the injunction petition of Hiram Hicker & Sons. That petition was for an injunction to compel the railway company to discontinue the names of "Poland Springs" and "Poland Springs Junction" as used for stations and advertised by time tables and other means. The reply sets forth the claim that "Poland Springs" is not a trade-mark and therefore there is no infringement; that the water is only ordinary good spring water and not superior to that of other springs in Poland and elsewhere in Maine from which it cannot be distinguished, and is therefore not entitled to such special rights; that the offensive "Poland Spring" station was located by request of the plaintiff and named because of the same request; that there is other business in the neighborhood requiring the station; that the railroad people only advertise to carry passengers to the station and in the summer a line of stages to the plaintiff's hotels, and that the accommodations for travel for guests of the hotel are not misrepresented, and that the plaintiffs have no legal right to exclusive use of the words "Poland Springs" as a trade-mark. The case promises to be interesting, as the best legal talent in Maine is employed on both sides.

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RUMFORD FALLS.

The P. & R. F. Ry. has added twenty-five new freight cars to its equipment.

Howard A. Lincoln of Portland has been visiting at his home in this place.

Mrs. M. J. Frost is having an enforced sojourn at the Maine General Hospital in Portland.

C. W. Jordan has moved into the vacant tenement in Stevens block.

Superintendent J. T. Mullen of the sulphite mill has had a siege with the grip.

Zenas Morse is clerking at the freight station of the Portland and Rumford Falls Ry.

Mrs. Goding and daughter of Portland have been visiting her brother, John Longley.

P. B. Clark has started his machine shop.

R. A. Carver has gone to New Hampton, N. H., where he will run a large job printing office.

It is said that Mrs. Nellie House will receive eight or ten thousand dollars by the distribution of the Magner estate in Dublin, Ireland, among the heirs.

Mr. and Mrs. James S. Morse were the recipients of a nice French clock at a surprise party gotten up by a number of their friends, Saturday evening, Mar. 21.

A. S. Hathaway of Canton was in town, Wednesday.

C. M. Lufkin and wife of Wilton were in town, last week. They contemplate moving to Rumford Falls in the near future.

During the winter of 1893, F. M. Martin, of Long Reach, West Va., contracted a severe cold which left him with a cough. In speaking of how he cured it he says: "I used several kinds of cough syrup but found no relief until I bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which relieved me almost instantly, and in a short time brought about a complete cure." When troubled with a cough or cold use this remedy and you will not find it necessary to try several kinds before you get relief. It has been in the market for over twenty years and constantly grown in favor and popularity. For sale at 25 and 50 cents per bottle by Noyes Drug Store. 14-17

The April number of Scribner's Magazine contains a very unusual number of articles of immediate interest in connection with current events of the first importance. The leading article is a sympathetic review of the late Lord Leighton, P. R. A., by Cosmo Monkhouse.

Col. Lyman S. Hapgood, generally known as Maj. Hapgood, died in Boston, Friday, at the age of 74 years. He was born in Waterford and went to Boston when quite young. He was a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company and Boston Commandery, Knights Templar. Many years ago he was a member of the common council and had been a member of the Legislature. During the civil war he was a paymaster in the army, with the rank of major, and was mustered out of the service with the rank of colonel.

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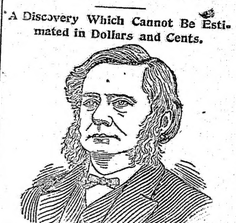

To women who are not well, and tired of the useless, nauseating taking of drugs, Dr. Sanden of New York wishes to announce that he has just issued a neat illustrated little book fully explaining how they can treat and cure themselves at home by electricity. The treatment is so common-sense that it does not admit of failure, and every woman suffering from female weakness, rheumatism, lumbago, kidney or stomach complaints, etc., does her family an injustice by not investigating it. The book holds out no false inducements, but gives success plain reference in every State where have been cured after all other treatments failed. It is free to all, on application: Address Dr. Sanden Electric Association, 842 Broadway, New York City. Mention this paper and send 20 STAMPS.

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Children's Corner.

Rumford, Me., March 28, 1896.
DEAR SIR:—I will write you a letter to-day. I have never written before and hope you will print this in your paper. Our school is keeping now, it has kept ten weeks and will keep one more. My teacher's name is Mary E. Martin. She is my cousin. I study arithmetic, history, geography, grammar, spelling and read in the fourth reader and write and draw. I am eleven years old and have a brother who is five. He studies arithmetic, spelling, geography, writing, drawing and reads in the third reader. His name is Walter Scott. My papa is working at Gilead, this winter, but

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Coming Events.

April 3—Easter Sunday.
April 7—Oxford Pomona Grange, South Paris.
April 4—Teachers' examinations at High School room, Norway.
April 8-9—Methodist Conference, Auburn.
April 14—Uncle Tom's Cabin, Norway Opera House.
April 16—Fast Day.
May 5—Supreme Judicial Court, South Paris.
May 22—Meet of the Interscholastic Athletic Association, Riverside Park, Bethel.

Our Special Club List.

We have made arrangements to club the ADVERTISER with the following papers:

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Governor Cleaves has selected Thursday, April 23, for Fast Day.

UPTON.

Will Sargent is quite sick at the present writing.

Tom Warren is out of the woods as his family is sick.

Alvah Coolidge is unable to work on account of being very lame.

Scott Coolidge and Claude Abbott are at home from Hebron Academy on their vacation.

H. T. Chase has recently lost two horses and has another unable to work.

Orne Douglass is out of the woods ill with a bad cold. He boards at George Deering's.

Miss C. Godwin is at home from the hospital and is quite sick.

Mrs. J. P. West is at Cambridge, N. H., keeping house for her son as his wife was carried to the asylum at Augusta.

Mrs. Geneva Lane is gaining.

Frank W. Bragg is getting up wood for H. T. Chase.

J. W. Jordan has an increase in pension.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodsum Jordan visited at H. T. Chase's, one day last week.

Owen P. Brooks and wife of Norway visited relatives in town, last week.

MILTON.

A person may travel a long distance in either direction and not find so fine a flock of lambs as can be seen at Eugene Barker's barn. From a flock of twenty-eight sheep, he has thirty-eight large lambs, many of them weighing thirty pounds or more each, which when ready for the market may be safely reckoned at three dollars per head, thus making a snug balance in favor of the raiser. Mr. B. is a progressive farmer and also has a fine herd of cows, but thinks with Aaron Stevens that there is fully as much profit to be derived from sheep as cows, with less expense and trouble.

Bennie Lapham of Stratford, N. H., is visiting relatives here.

Dr. and Mrs. Stuart called on friends in this vicinity recently.

Will Andrews has sold out his business and residence to John Brown of Bethel. We are glad to state that Mr. A. is not leaving the place but will occupy Mrs. Emma Mann's house for the present.

Stillman Morse is gaining.

WATERFORD.

Annie F. Wilson is home from Wellesley on a vacation. She graduates this June.

Geo. Howe of Massachusetts is at J. P. Howe's for a few days.

L. G. Stone is down with la grippe and don't seem to enjoy it very much. He has quite a remarkable record for health, it having been more than thirty years since he has been confined to the house with any serious illness.

C. B. Learned and wife are both laid up with colds.

Arthur Merrill of North Bridgton has been spending a few days with his cousin Fred Johnson.

It is said "the wicked stand on slippery places," but we find it very hard to do for it is ice, ice everywhere.

We understand the selectmen have hired a Mr. Doughty of Greenwood to take charge of the town farm, this year.

S. S. Hersey has got back on his farm. He has spent the winter in Massachusetts with his son.

NORTH WATERFORD.

Quite a rain last Monday and thunder and lightning in the morning.

Coleman Packard is visiting at M. M. Hamlin's, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Albion Stearns visited his sister, Mrs. Nellie Sawyer, last Tuesday.

Quite a number of logging teams passed through this place, last Saturday, en route for home.

Honor Green is at home on a vacation from North Bridgton, where she is attending school.

Charles Rice, who had the misfortune of having one of his legs broken about a month ago, is able to get around the house some by putting his knee in a chair.

Bad colds and some cases of la grippe are still prevalent.

Nice spring weather and the snow is fast leaving us.

BOLSTER'S MILLS.

The Sunday services were sparsely attended owing to the bad traveling and stormy weather.

The first thunder shower of the season visited us about seven o'clock, Monday morning. The lightning was very sharp.

Mrs. Samuel Barrows has returned from Auburn, where she was very ill from erysipelas, and is slowly improving.

Virginia Weston is enjoying a vacation at her home now.

Lelia Stuart is visiting in Casco.

Reuben Cobb has purchased a colt.

Chas. Skillings has a new pair of nice working horses.

There will be a Farmers' Institute in the Hall of Crooked River Grange, at Bolster's Mills, on Wednesday, April 8, with the following program: Forenoon, opening remarks by Hon. W. H. Vinton, the local member of the Board, followed by an address on "The opportunities for the Maine farmer of to-day," by W. G. Hunton, member from Kennebec County. Afternoon, "The Babcock test and its management," by Secretary McKeen. Tests of cream, whole milk and skim milk, will be made, and all are invited to bring samples of either for testing. There will be an evening meeting if desired.

NORTH NORWAY.

Mrs. Geo. Hobbs has returned from Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Dunn visited at Wendell Judkins', last week. Mrs. Dunn has suffered much for many years with her hands and got so she could not thread a needle, sew, knit or do scarcely anything. The disease (thickening of the skin) appeared to be spreading over her body and she had lost the sight of an eye. She had consulted the best physicians in Massachusetts and other places and all said her case was extremely rare and they could do nothing for her. Last fall she was induced to see a physician in Norway village and it is wonderful to see how he has helped her. Her hands are very much better, can use them now quite well and is regaining her eyesight.

E. T. Judkins from Albany is here, making maple syrup.

Mattie Tracy was at E. A. Cox's, last week.

Many in this vicinity are sick with colds.

Augusta French has gone to Island Pond.

Bert Dunn has hired to work for M. R. Merrim seven months.

The Ladies' (North Star) Club met at H. B. Macalaster's, last week, with an attendance of 21. Selections from different authors were read and Mr. and Mrs. Frost favored us with vocal music. They meet at Mrs. Belle Hussey's this week, April 1st.

Tabular Statement of Norway Financial Statistics

Prepared by Geo. A. Brooks, Esq., of Norway, Showing the Valuation, Amount of Taxes, Rate per Cent., Number of Polls, and Standing of the Town for the Past 27 years.

App. 1	Valuat'n	State Tax.	County Tax.	Total Tax.	Rate Mills.	Polls.	Net Debt.	Surplus.
1869	$ 259,483	$3,786 95	$ 620 77	$10,253 04	33	425	$.....	$4,956 18
1870	259,362	3,746 75	567 51	9,101 78	28	469	.....	4,436 10
1871	257,835	3,213 11	654 48	11,131 40	32	463	.....	4,879 34
1872	262,929	3,694 34	769 97	10,218 07	315	509	.....	5,576 77
1873	289,345	3,213 11	802 05	12,425 04	345	493	14,579 59	.....
1874	291,805	3,213 11	718 64	11,407 36	30	506	14,378 12	.....
1875	287,822	2,571 47	718 64	12,820 07	34	511	13,632 63	.....
1876	285,527	2,411 06	802 05	11,913 93	32	528	12,503 05	.....
1877	275,417	1,929 82	802 05	11,252 50	30	535	11,949 00	.....
1878	278,011	2,571 47	850 18	13,572 86	39	567	12,049 00	.....
1879	290,070	2,571 47	718 64	9,470 52	25	604	17,024 80	.....
1880	292,395	2,213 11	718 64	10,966 40	0945	633	17,094 01	.....
1881	288,419	4,010 83	889 86	12,666 89	11	671	18,545 19	.....
1882	868,821	4,010 83	889 86	12,662 59	12	633	18,126 40	.....
1883	915,693	3,565 91	978 85	11,565 68	10	687	17,861 79	.....
1884	944,371	3,565 91	1,022 34	13,604 29	12	710	17,010 87	.....
1885	961,878	3,343 44	999 05	13,841 69	115	688	22,812 07	.....
1886	968,484	3,343 44	902 32	14,664 96	12	702	21,550 66	.....
1887	1,035,510	2,453 58	1,061 69	17,539 35	144	800	18,105 20	.....
1888	1,020,232	2,453 58	933 02	17,145 40	15	735	14,232 13	.....
1889	1,069,320	2,453 58	1,021 82	16,919 15	135	704	10,060 99	.....
1890	1,072,662	2,008 84	977 43	14,253 70	11	685	9,970 92	.....
1891	1,054,472	3,257 26	1,178 13	16,092 56	14	786	8,882 76	.....
1892	1,039,059	3,257 26	1,178 13	16,056 52	135	749	7,888 20	.....
1893	1,038,184	3,279 71	1,104 70	19,843 17	16	799	8,084 25	.....
1894	1,031,517	2,982 24	1,104 70	19,436 94	175	769	13,755 17	.....
1895	1,018,021	2,811 86	1,207 56	21,719 42	20	726	11,436 78	.....

It will be seen that the first four years there was quite a surplus; but in 1873 a surplus of $5,576.77 was changed to a debt of $14,579.59, making a change in the standing of the town of $20,156.36. This was caused by two things. First, building the shoe factory; second, two verdicts against the town for nearly four thousand dollars.

In 1879 it will be noticed that there was a large increase of the town debt, caused by building the Norway Branch R. R.

Up to 1880 the valuation was taken at one-third of the cash value of property; so that it made the tax rate three times as high as it would have been at full valuation. Since 1880 it has been taken at full value.

In 1885 the debt took an upward turn, caused by repairing the shoe factory; then gradually decreased to 1894, when it again started upward.

This increase of the debt was caused by the burning of the High School building with very small insurance, and of the text books with no insurance, and a verdict against the town in the Hill suit.

In the above table the net debt of the town will be found in some cases to vary largely from the town reports, as I have not considered the shoe factory and town farm available resources to pay the town debt, and they were never considered as such till 1879. The town farm we need, and shoe factories are not bringing fancy prices at present, and Norway Branch railroad stock is worthless to pay debts with.

We have some fifteen thousand dollars worth of school property, but that cannot be considered as an asset in a debt paying sense. Our tax rate in town was two per cent last year, which reduced our net debt some $2300, all talk and figures to the contrary notwithstanding.

WEST BETHEL.

E. R. Fothergill and wife of Berlin, N. H., came down, last Saturday, and stopped over night at W. A. Farwell's and returned home, Sunday.

Mrs. L. C. Bean has recently purchased a nice young cow.

Geo. Goodnow lost one of his calves, recently. He found it dead in the pen.

John Philbrook of Bethel was in this vicinity, recently.

Sheriff Penley was seen in this village, recently.

Minnie Luxton visited her friend Mrs. J. F. Rollins. Mrs. Luxton has a very smart, intelligent looking baby, one that its parents ought to be proud of.

Rosa Bean attended the examination of teachers at Bethel, last Saturday.

Odie Glover is here to visit her sister, Mrs. Dell Arno.

Mrs. Nelson Wilber is some better, so as to sit up part of the time.

Mrs. Herbert Mason has sold two combination boxes of Sweet Home Soap for Larkin Soap Co., Buffalo, N. Y., and has received as premium a nice writing desk and a nice reclining chair. We think she has done pretty well.

Willie Mills has been driving a span of horses, hauling wood. He is a smart boy to work.

HASTINGS.

Mrs. C. E. Harriman has gone to Cumberland Mills on a visit.

F. H. Noyes of Norway was in town several days, the past week, on business.

Mrs. E. F. Dickson who has been spending the winter here has returned to her parental home at Island Pond, Vt.

L. P. Swett and M. P. Sampson of Norway have been making quite extensive repairs on their camp, which is now a convenient and commodious dwelling.

Owing to a poor lumbering season the cut of the W. R. L. Co. will be less by several million feet than in previous years.

Albert Robb, a young man employed here was attacked, recently, with violent hemorrhages of the nose and local treatment having no effect he was sent to a hospital in Portland, where his case is thought to be critical.

For several years there has not been a carriage road to this town which was considered safe, but if reports prove true there is to be one built, the coming summer, by interested parties which will meet all the requirements.

SOUTH WOODSTOCK.

Gladys Perham with C. E. Beckler and his mother were over to Sumner visiting, a few days ago.

Enoch Bartlett of West Sumner was in town, a short time ago.

A man giving his name as Langdon and who was peddling fish was arrested, last week, at Elias Elliott's by Sheriff Penley of Bethel on the charge of stealing watches, etc., at Bethel.

Harvey Pratt who has been residing at Lewiston, the past winter, has returned to farming it again.

Eva Murch has returned to her home.

R. V. Tyler is selling silver ware.

Mabel Littlefield of Brownfield is stopping at Orelius Kimball's.

R. L. Cummings, one of our selectmen, met with quite a severe accident at his home, the other day, by falling under one of his horses.

Several attended caucus at Bryant's Pond, Saturday. We understand the delegates will support Hon. A. E. Herrick for Judge of Probate.

A missionary dressed in a blue drilling suit, by the name of Small, was through here, Sunday. He is one of the latter day order.

We hear reports of a drunken carousal, Saturday. Such work should be stopped at once.

The republicans of Woodstock held their caucus at town hall, Bryant's Pond, March 28th, and elected the following: Chairman, J. L. Bowker; clerk, A. Mont Chase; delegates to district convention to be held at Auburn, April 15, L. W. Andrews, T. R. Day, A. Dudley; delegates to State convention at Portland, April 16, L. W. Andrews, T. R. Day, A. Dudley; delegates to county convention to be held at South Paris, June 23, J. H. Davis, Emerson Billings, W. H. Small; town committee for 1897-8, J. L. Bowker, J. H. Davis, E. Billings.

NORTH-WEST BETHEL.

Herman E. Bennett gave a party to his young friends, recently. There were lots present and the time passed pleasantly with cards and games for amusement and pop corn, peanuts and apples for treat.

Hanibal Chapman has returned to Colby.

Marion E. Chapman is home from College to spend Easter vacation with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Penley were making friendly calls on their old neighbors at this place, recently.

Hiram Wilson is quite ill, under the care of a physician.

The Misses Edith and Eva Verrill of Oxford are stopping for the present with their sister, Mrs. James Tyler.

George and Seth Mason have each lost a nice sheep, recently.

Quite heavy thunder and sharp flashes of lightning the night of the 29th.

H. B. Chapman has sold his hay to Rob. Hastings.

HALE.

Five o'clock, Monday morning, Mar. 20, several flashes of very sharp lightning followed by loud reports of thunder and a downpour of hail that made quite a rattling on the buildings.

At the republican caucus held in Mexico, Saturday, the 28, Sewell Goff was chosen chairman and R. L. Taylor secretary; Sewell Goff and E. E. Hayes, delegates to the county convention whenever held; Sewell Goff, L. H. Harlow and J. R. Tucker, town committee for the next two years with power to appoint delegates to the two State conventions and Congressional convention and issue credentials to the same. CON.

Advertised Letters. Norway.
L. A. Boothby, Dr. C. A. Clark,
Dr. F. S. Drake, J. B. Kendall,
W. E. Littlehale, Joel McAllister,
Walter Scott.

SUMNER.

Henry Davenport has finished his birch job in Peru and gone home.

Mrs. Susie Cole and son Floyd are are visiting her sister, Mrs. Eva Burke, in Hartford.

Ora Bonney who has been very sick with pneumonia is convalescent.

Mrs. Henry Sturtevant is improving from a severe attack of rheumatism.

Alice Nowell has returned home from Auburn.

Mrs. E. C. Bowker is poorly.

John Davenport and wife are having bad colds.

Mrs. G. B. Foster is not so well.

BYRON.

The school board held their annual meeting at the schoolhouse at Gum Corner, last Saturday afternoon, and elected Geo. H. Ladd superintendent. There will be a high school of ten or more weeks, next fall, at Gum Corner, as the town voted to raise one hundred dollars for it at the annual meeting.

E. Irish who has been logging near the old town house, the past winter, has returned home with his crew.

Guy Herrick who has been cooking at a hotel in Bethel, arrived home, last week.

R. Richmond has finished up logging in Andover, and came home, last week, with his teams.

Blanchard & Twitchell in No. 6 will log several weeks longer.

Geo. Laken is moving back into Amos Alden's house. He has been at work in the wooks in Roxbury, the past winter.

Leslie Dunn had a dance in his new shop, last Saturday evening. He has recently set up an engine and will do job work when it gets to running.

MEXICO.

Arthur Wells is quite sick with typhoid fever.

As J. M. Doyne was delivering his milk, Saturday, the sleigh slewed on some ice and overturned, breaking both shafts to the sleigh and spilling about twenty quarts of milk, besides jamming the cans up quite badly.

Irving Blood and wife visited Mrs. Blood's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Finney of Weld, last week.

Ben Virgin has gone to work in Blanchard & Twitchell's mill.

Joe Dupill has moved to Rumford Falls.

Fred Parsons has severed his connection with the R. F. & R. L. R. R. and has gone back to work on the P. & R. F. R. R.

Clark Huston has bought a 35 H. P. boiler of the Sulphate Co. and has set it up at his shop to run his turning lathes.

Ellen Gleason is at work for Mrs. E. L. B. Richards.

Hezekiah Holt has returned home from Chapman's Mills, where he has been hauling birch.

A Mr. Brown of Carthage has been stopping about here for the past few days. He claims to be in search of a farm.

Mrs. Geo. H. Gleason is in poor health.

Morvaldin Taylor and Vena Richards started for the West a few days ago. Mr. Taylor will go to California and Miss Richards to Minneapolis, Minn., where she has relatives.

Married at Ridlonville, March 25th, Dr. Charles Harmon and Mrs. Rose Little, both of that place. Dr. and Mrs. Harmon started for Portland on their wedding tour, Thursday.

LOVELL.

Frank C. Walker hauled 80 bags of corn at one load with four horses from Fryeburg, a distance of ten miles. O. E. Andrews hauled 50 bags of corn with one pair, the same day.

C. D. Chandler is turning dowels in Fox's mill.

Perley Morrison has gone to Jackson, N. H., to work at the Iron Mountain House.

E. N. Fox was in Norway, last week.

The circle at Fox's Hall, the 27th, was well attended. A fine supper was served and the following program was presented:

Declamation.....Lucian Ames
Solo.....Ida Farrington
Remarks.....John Hobbs, esq
Farce, "A Little More Cider"

Fred S. Walker is at Bridgton to work.

Emily Irish read a fine sermon at the Cong'l church, last Sunday.

James Chandler was at home from North Waterford, a few days last week.

Isaac Hobbs is back here at the village. He is stopping at F. C. Walker's.

Dean Wiley is moving the barn from the Grant farm in Sweden and will put it up at home.

LOCKE'S MILLS.

A. W. Bryant of this place has moved his family to Boston, Mass., where he has a steady job at his trade, and where he has been at work for the last year. Frank Estes will occupy the house vacated by Mr. Bryant's family, and I understand Frank A. Ruller from Bryant's Pond intends to move his family into the house vacated by Frank Estes.

The spool mill is shut down for a few days for lack of orders. The saw mill is still running and sawing from 10 to 12 cords of birch per day into spool strips.

Rev. R. A. Rich was on the sick list, last week, and was not able to attend to his appointment at Bryant's Pond, Sunday afternoon.

Last Saturday, the 28th ult., some young men who had been working in the woods chopping at or near Gorham, N. H., came into this place bringing some of the fire water and it was not long before some of the effects were seen upon one or two of our townsmen, and one of them in going home tipped his sleigh over and came near breaking his leg. It was injured so he has not been able to get about to attend to his work since.

GREENWOOD.

Mary Swan is visiting friends and relatives at Greenwood City.

Geo. M. Tubbs has a night crew at work in his mill.

Nelson Lapham is gaining slowly.

Most of the farmers of this vicinity are tapping trees.

Ella Swan has returned home from Mrs. Days, where she has been stopping for a few weeks.

BUCKFIELD.

Ambrose Swan and wife have returned to their farm. For a year past they have worked for Millard Stevens of Paris.

Manley Bessey and wife have hired out to Albion Ricker of Turner, for a year. Mr. Ricker has the most extensive orchards in this section and employs a large amount of help. Mr. Bessey and wife have been living on Ambrose Swan's farm, on the side of Streaked Mountain.

Alfred Cole, Postmaster, is ill. Barrett Spaulding is assisting at the postoffice.

Wm. Spaulding and wife of Caribou are visiting relatives here.

Aunt Eliza Spaulding, as she is familiarly called, is quite poorly. She is 85 years old and consequently may not recover.

Gussie Hersey went to Auburn, Friday. He enters this term at the Edward Little Institute.

Charles C. Tilton, after visiting his grandparents, went to his home in Auburn, Saturday. He commences this term at the Edward Little.

Mrs. Hartwell Waldron and daughter of N. H., are visiting friends here.

Depot-master Pike has moved from Chas. E. Hatch's rent into that of Mrs. Elizabeth Waldron.

J. F. Packard has been quite ill for the past week.

Merton Robinson broke a leg, last Friday night, while adjusting a belt at Irish Bros.' saw mill.

At a town meeting, Saturday, called to make some changes in the arrangement of free high schools as established at the regular meeting, the whole thing was knocked into smithereens, and now the village corporation is called upon to come to the rescue. It would seem that after a village has had ten years of uninterrupted free high schools, high, intermediate and primary, the outlying districts might be accorded some of the schools. Later developments may make interesting reading.

Going into the unfinished church parlor a few days since, I found a plan of a finer room than the town at present affords. It is to be finished nearly to the ridge pole. One memorial window, 2 ft. by 8 ft., stained glass, furnished by the family of H. W. Waldron deceased and bearing his name occupies the front end. Another equally as nice occupies the front, furnished by the noted florist, John Lewis Childs of Floral Park, N. Y. This window was given in remembrance of Mr. Childs' parents, who were, in life, members of this church. Mr. Waldron was one of the prime movers in building this church. Rev. Mr. Sadler has developed a commendable amount of stamina, while encountering a great amount of opposition, in getting the building so far along, especially in cold weather.

BRYANT'S POND.

The house and ell of G. S. Whitman were destroyed by fire, Monday afternoon. Luckily help was near at hand, most of the household goods were saved, and the barn was saved. The chimney burned out in the morning, and although the house was closely watched through the day. It is thought that the fire must have caught from that. We understand that there was some insurance, but Mr. Whitman meets with quite a loss in losing his buildings just as springs work was coming on.

The Grange dramatic club play the the drama "Enlisted for the war" at Dunham's Hall, West Paris, Tuesday night.

E. H. Pike shares his sugar orchard with H. C. Bacon this spring.

Myrtle Bacon visited friends at Norway, Saturday.

J. E. Hathaway lost one of his work horses last week.

STOW.

The snow and cold weather have helped the loggers very much.

Mrs. Chase of Conway, N. H., has been visiting her father, S. Barnes.

Percy Emerson has got home from Boston, where he has been in search of work.

Cora Belle Emerson has got home from Medford, Mass.

D. W. Nichols and wife were in town, last week.

Quincy Stevens had his thumb and fore finger sawed off at Emerson's mill, last Friday.

Mrs. A. Emerson is on the sick list.

Charles Walker and wife of Jackson, N. H., was at his father's, I. A. Walker's, last week.

C. W. Day is to build a new house this summer.

Bertha Emery has gone to Bridgton to work.

NORTH PARIS.

Elon Whitman has been quite sick but is now some better.

There are or have been sick with the prevailing bad cold, Mrs. Hillman, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence, and others have been sick.

H. W. Dunham has bought out the goods at the grange store and will run the store commencing April 1st. His son Cliff will be in charge.

Mrs. David Young is very sick and is not expected to live.

One new member was initiated at the grange, March 28.

G. G. Fuller is very lame, caused by rheumatism.

There has not been any very good sap weather as yet but we hope it will come soon.

Teaming here is nearly at a standstill.

It will be Lincoln day at the grange, April 11.

If you want to improve your flock of hens and increase your income from them, you will do well to read what W. E. Ladd of Gilead, Me., says in another column. It will pay you to investigate as his strains of fowl are first-class and standard.

EAST BETHEL.

Mattie Tracy of Class '97, Colby University, has been home on a short vacation.

Lillian Kimball of Class '96, Gorham Normal School, returns home for a short vacation, Apr. 3.

Emma E. Brown and her brother, Foye Brown, have returned to their home at this place.

John S. Brown has moved his family to Milton.

Nelson Austin has sold his farm here and will soon move to Hanover.

G. M. Kimball recently sold two calves to John Philbrook for $1. ntty-five dollars. Mell says John knows a good thing when he sees it.

In the last week's items relating to G. M. Kimball's little son who got hurt, I would say seven stitches were required instead of seventeen. He was not wandering among the cows, but ran into the yard with his father who was feeding the cattle.

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KEZAR FALLS.

Guy, the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shaw, formerly of this place but now residents of Boston, died in that city, last week, of consumption, and was brought home for burial. Funeral services were held in the Advent church at Porter village, at 2 p. m. March 25th, conducted by Rev. C. T. Ridlon of this place. The choir of the Methodist church of this place were in attendance and sang three beautiful selections. There were a large number of friends present testifying by their presence to their sympathy for the bereaved parents. Guy was in his eighteenth year and greatly esteemed by his friends and associates.

RUMFORD.

Orin Martin is at home from Hebron Academy, for a few days. He goes to Oxford to work, this summer.

Wilson Welch of East Rumford is at work for W. W. Stevens.

Susan Walker continues about the same. She has a nurse from Brooklyn, N. Y.

Otis Howe is at home for a few days.

Chas. Lovejoy is driving from Rumford to Andover for Tuttle.

BROWNFIELD.

Work has not yet commenced on the bridges destroyed by the late freshet, six in all, and within a few days the so called Boynton bridge has shown signs of a collapse. It is unsafe for teams to go on it.

Mr. and Mrs. Daggett, who have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hosea Staples of this village, have returned to their home in Lewiston.

Dr. Carroll of Woodstock has bought the practice and homestead of Dr. Gatchell.

Alvin Perkins is working in the store of Fred R. Gould.

There is to be a social dance, every Saturday evening, at Town Hall.

Andrew Blake is on the sick roll.

There is lots of snow on the ground and a good prospect of lots more as it is snowing hard, to-day.

EAST STONEHAM.

There are several cases of mumps in town at present, with a fine prospect of spreading promiscuously. Among those at last accounts afflicted with this disease is the family of C. C. Flanders, Alonzo Brown, Sewell Butters and A. H. Speers.

Lulu, the adopted daughter of Silas McAllister, has been quite sick with the grip but is getting better now.

Mrs. Silas Stearns has been sick in bed but is improving.

Uncle Silas McAllister is looking very feeble but will walk out as long as he can do so.

The last circle with a baked bean supper was well attended. It was held at G. A. R. Hall.

Mrs. H. M. Parker is in poor health.

Mrs. Eliza Merrill is in poor health, besides being very lame.

The lumbermen are trying to get all the timber hauled, if they can. It has been a very disagreeable winter for such work.

There seems to be a scarcity of good, reliable and capable female help. In case of severe sickness or any great emergency, I hardly know where a good nurse or housemaid could be obtained. All useful help is already employed.

HARRISON.

Fred Thornton and wife have gone to Waterford to work.

Mrs. Percy Bailey is visiting her mother at Cornish.

Mrs. James Thomes and Mrs. John Edgeley are very sick.

W. H. Briggs and Miss C. E. Briggs are in Boston, this week, after spring millinery. Their opening will be announced, next week.

There will be no services at the Congregational church, next Sabbath, as Mr. Fitz is taking a vacation.

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DENMARK.

Palmer Fessenden was taken to the Insane Asylum, last week. He has not been quite right since he had la grippe two years ago, and his friends thought it best to take him there as he could have better treatment.

Our esteemed townsman, Ezra Davis, was made happy, last Monday, the 23d, being united in holy wedlock to a lady from the far West. His friends met at his home and congratulated them, the next evening, and everything passed off "merry as a marriage bell." A splendid supper was set before the company, which was duly appreciated, and after many wishes to the happy pair the company went to their own happy homes.

Gracie Smith, who has been in Worcester, Mass., for the last eight months, is at her home on a visit.

Cong'l circle met with Mrs. Ella Allen, the 25th. Thirty-five present.

The high school graduating class of this spring went to Cornish, last week, and had their pictures taken. There are twelve in the class.

Sixteen of the I. O. G. T.s went to Bridgton, the 26th, and a hearty reception was accorded them by the Sisters and Brothers of B.

But very few have tapped trees as yet as the weather has been too cold.

Mrs. Emma Warren is in town on a visit.

Edith Whitney of Brownfield has been visiting at C. B. Smith's and A. F. Bradbury's.

Fred Sanborn has a carload of corn.

Elbridge Thorne, who has carried on the town farm for several years, is moving back to his place in the village.

Sadie McKusick and Annie May Marble came home from Conway, N. H., last Friday. They will return in about a month to work this summer.

Jesse Wentworth has moved from Lon Wentworth's place to West Denmark. Albert Wentworth has taken Lon's place. He will work on the Bridgton & Saco River R. R.

A. H. Witham drew 4770 lbs. of grain from Hiram with his two horses, last week, and could have taken more and not had a load. One of his horses weighs 1500, the other 1250 lbs.

The road got some bare, last week, but Sunday five inches of snow came and this (Monday) morning we had a thunder shower about 6 o'clock.

Mrs. Emma Frost of Sebago has bought a nice cow of A. P. Pingree.

Mrs. Witham is getting very weak and can take but little food and that of the simplest kind.

Sock Newell and wife go to Bryant's Pond, this week.

Augustine Ingalls has quite a sick cow, a nice Jersey which has just dropped a calf.

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NORWAY LAKE.

The L. S. C. are to meet with Mrs. Walter Lovejoy at the residence of Emerson Kilgore on Wednesday, April 8th.

Harry Wood moved his family to the Budden place at Noble's Corner on Tuesday, where he will engage in farming. Little Lois, his oldest child, is stopping with Mrs. Nellie Monk at Paris, until they are well settled.

C. A. Stephens is stopping at home for the present.

Frank Crockett of Conway, Center made us a call on Tuesday.

A daughter of Levi Holden is to work for A. D. Kilgore, Mrs. Adams having gone home.

George Adams of Yarmouth, formerly of Norway, has leased the cottage of Mrs. S. E. Shedd and will soon occ